

# EMAILS FROM COMMISSIONERS



**Kathy Jones**

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**From:** stacy dalgleish <commissionerstacydalgleish@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 03, 2018 1:02 PM  
**To:** Canetana Hurd  
**Subject:** Fwd: Board & Care Report Approved

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**From:** [kerryhmorrison@gmail.com](mailto:kerryhmorrison@gmail.com)  
**Subject:** **Re: Board & Care Report Approved**  
**Date:** February 23, 2018 at 3:42:19 PM PST  
**To:** Brittney Weissman <[brittney@namilaccc.org](mailto:brittney@namilaccc.org)>  
**Cc:** stacy dalgleish <[commissionerstacydalgleish@gmail.com](mailto:commissionerstacydalgleish@gmail.com)>, Caroline Kelly <[carolinekelly3@gmail.com](mailto:carolinekelly3@gmail.com)>, Barbara B Wilson <[barbarabwilsonlcs@gmail.com](mailto:barbarabwilsonlcs@gmail.com)>

Great job!! I also reached out to LAHSA to see if we could present to one of their committees  
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**Subject:** Re: Kuehl Happenings  
**Date:** March 20, 2018 at 1:24:58 PM PDT  
**To:** Kerry Morrison <kerryhmorrison@gmail.com>

[REDACTED]  
Warmly,  
Stacy

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Barbara

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From: **Sheila Kuehl** <[sheila@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:sheila@bos.lacounty.gov)>

Date: Sat, Mar 17, 2018 at 10:30 AM

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To: [barbarabwilsonlcs@gmail.com](mailto:barbarabwilsonlcs@gmail.com)



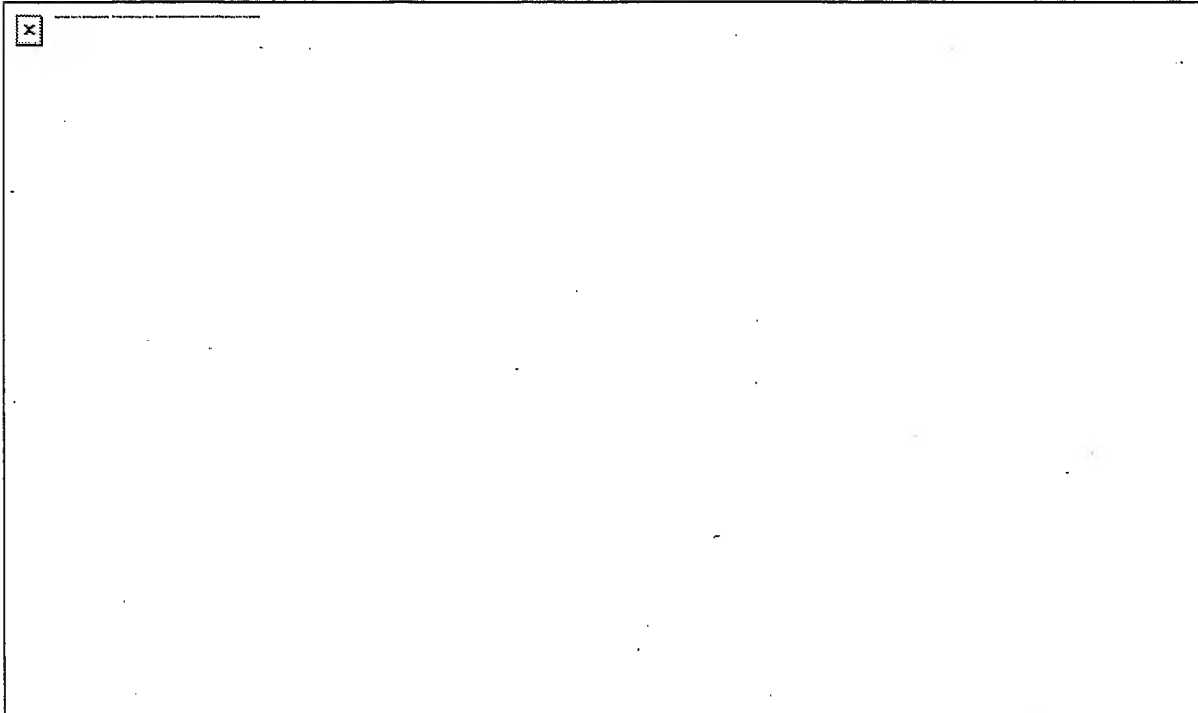
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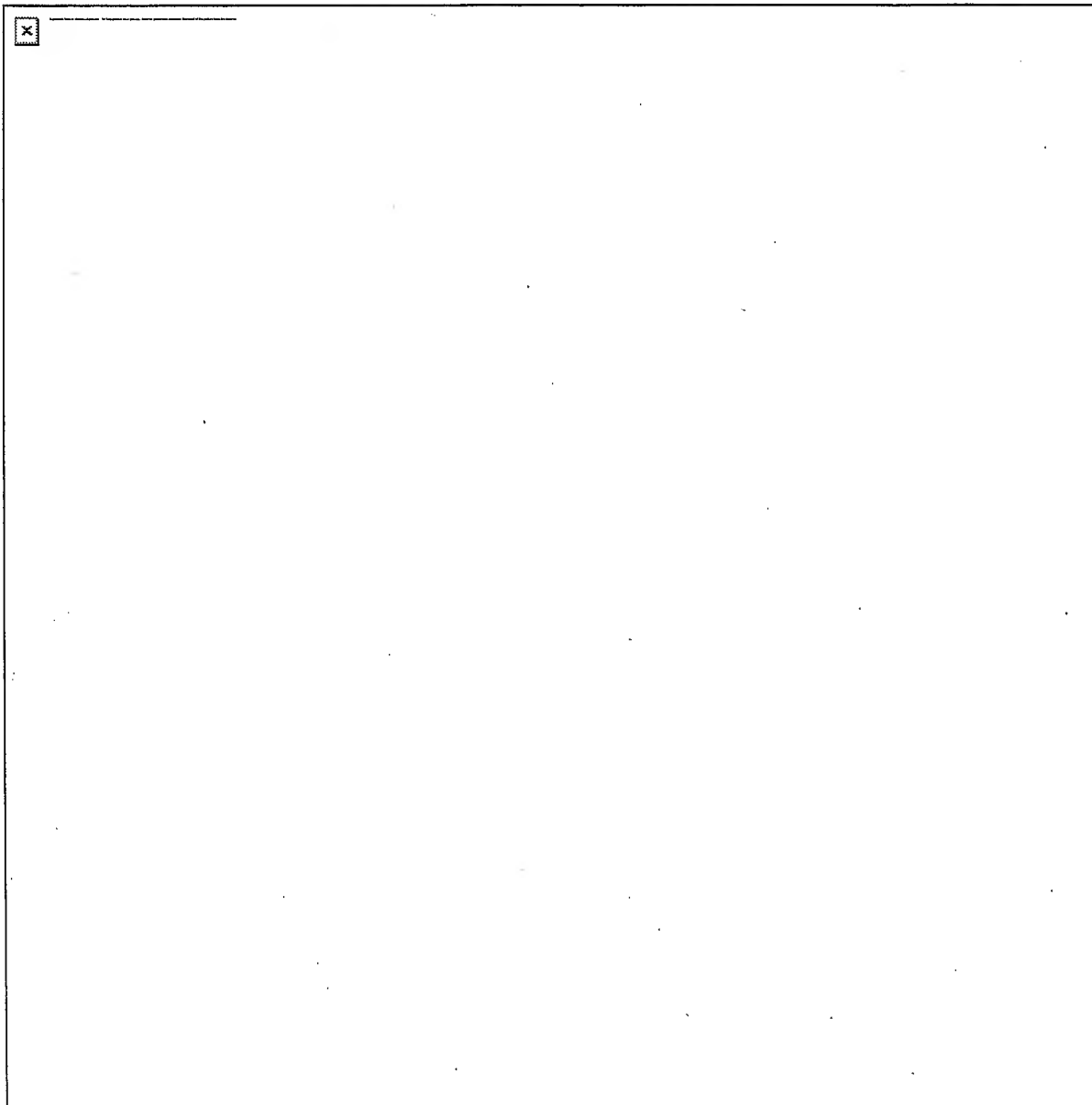
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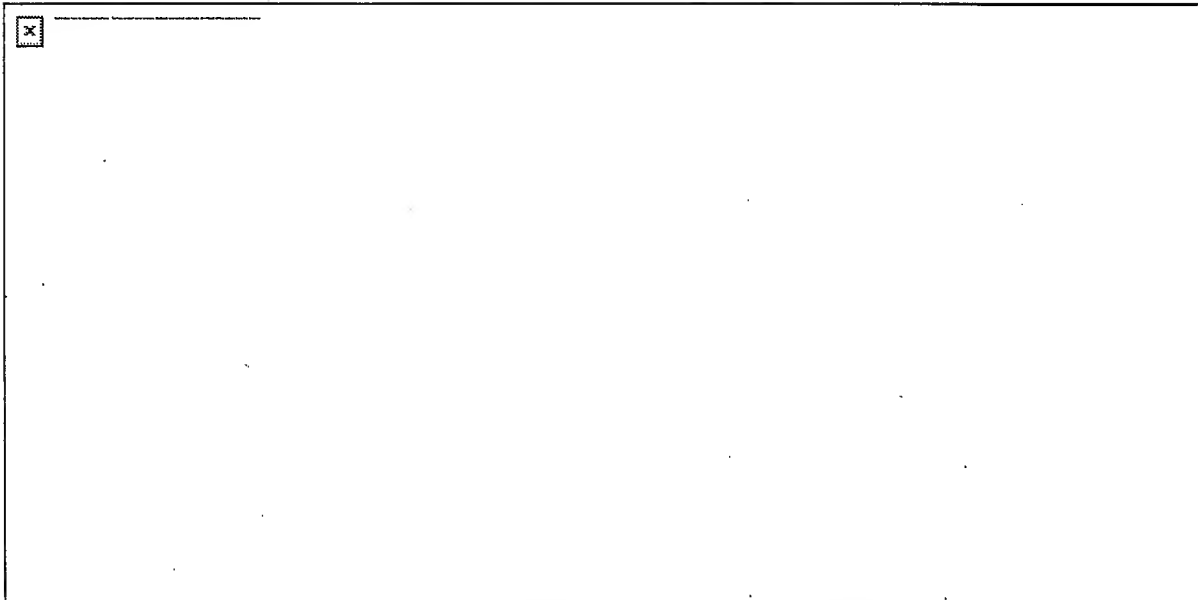
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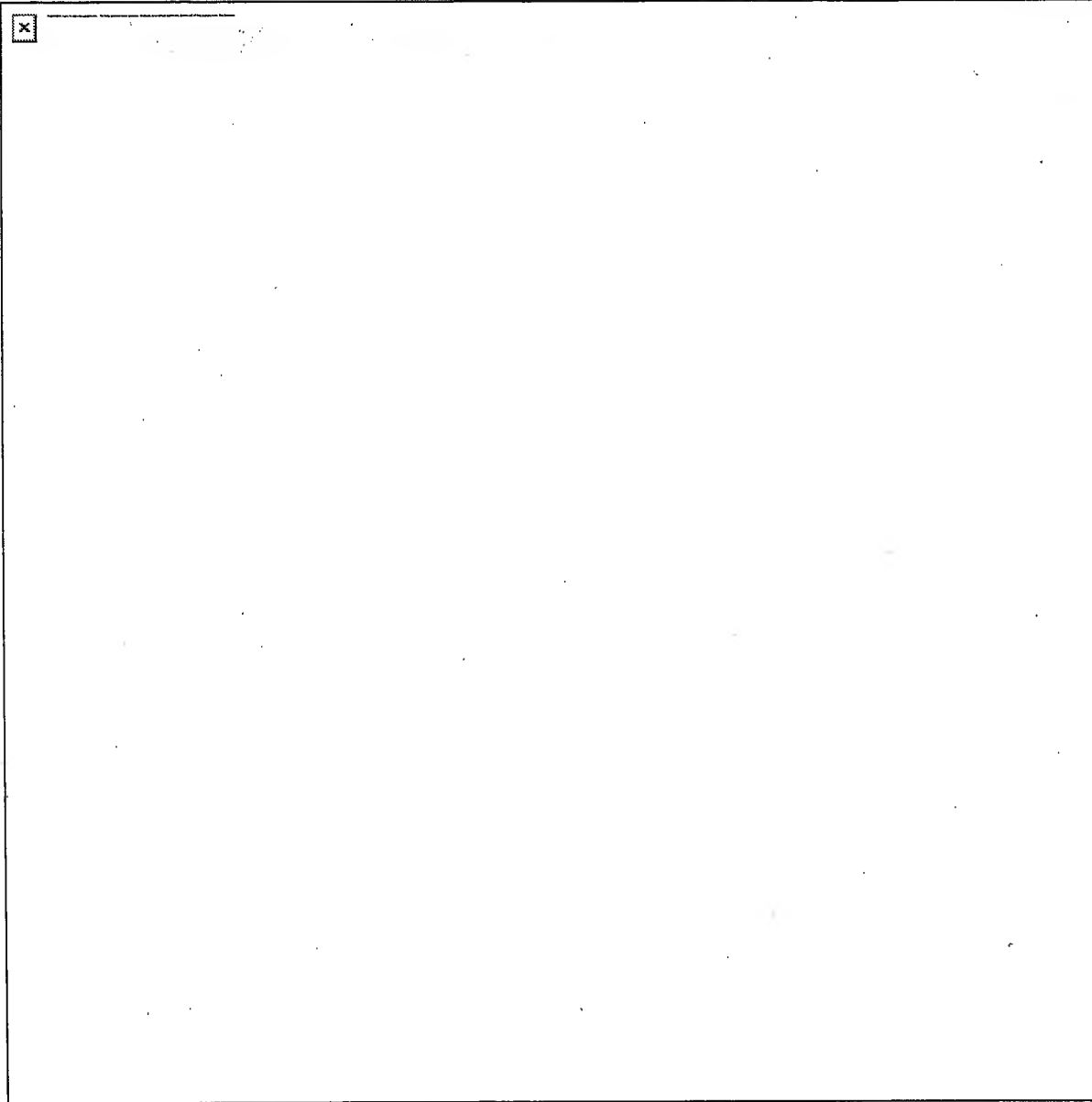
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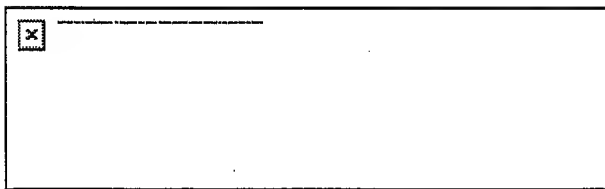
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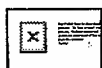
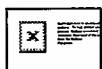
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Have a great weekend!



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**To:** Kerry Morrison <kerryhmorrison@gmail.com>

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Thank you Stacy — [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]



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**From:** Canetana Hurd  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 05, 2018 9:02 AM  
**To:** Kathy Jones  
**Subject:** FW: Re: Kuehl Happenings

Public Records Request

**From:** hturner@namiurbanla.org [mailto:hturner@namiurbanla.org]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 03, 2018 2:34 PM  
**To:** Canetana Hurd  
**Subject:** FW: Re: Kuehl Happenings

The message below is the only communication received from Kerry Morrison. There were no outgoing communications.

Sincerely,

Harold Turner  
Director of Programs  
NAMI Urban Los Angeles  
4305 Degnan Bl. Suite #104  
Los Angeles, CA 90008  
(323) 294-7814 Office

-----Original Message-----

**From:** "Kerry Morrison" <kerryhmorrison@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 18, 2018 8:55am  
**To:** "Barbara B Wilson" <barbarabwilsonlcsu@gmail.com>  
**Cc:** "Brittney Weissman" <brittney@namilaccc.org>, "Caroline" <carolinekelly3@gmail.com>, "Lisa Kodmur" <lisakodmur@gmail.com>, "stacy dalglish" <commissionerstacydalglish@gmail.com>, "Commissioner Lue" <lawrencejlue@gmail.com>, "Harold Turner (hturner@namiurbanla.org) (hturner@namiurbanla.org)" <hturner@namiurbanla.org>  
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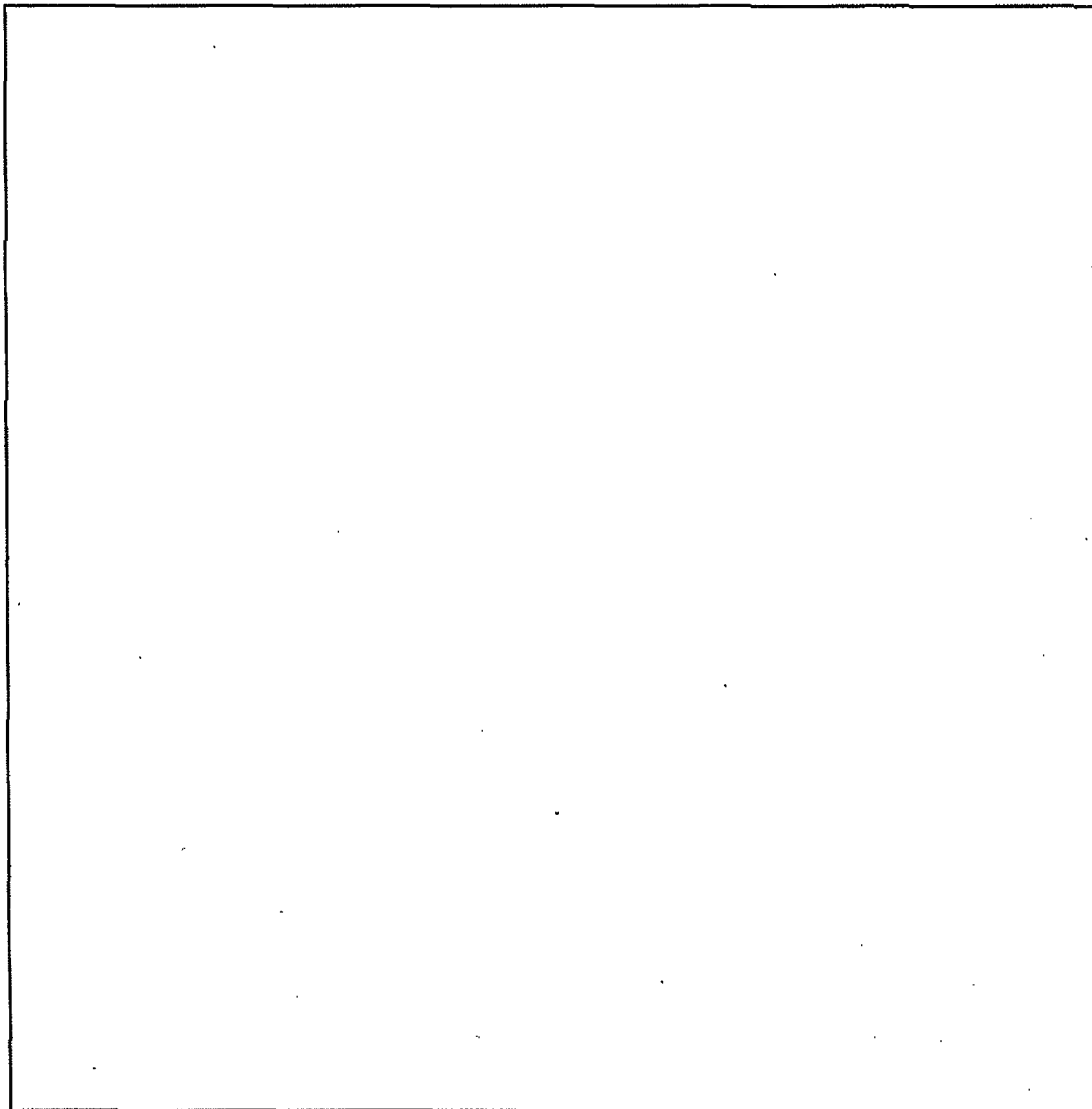
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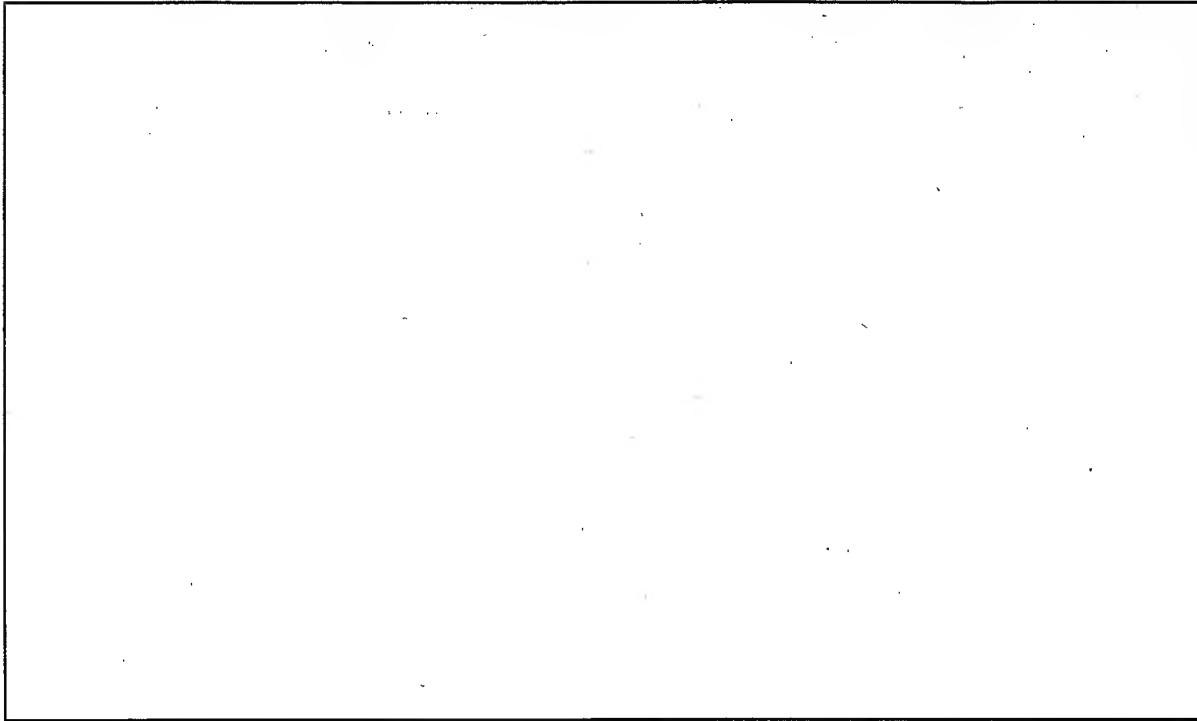
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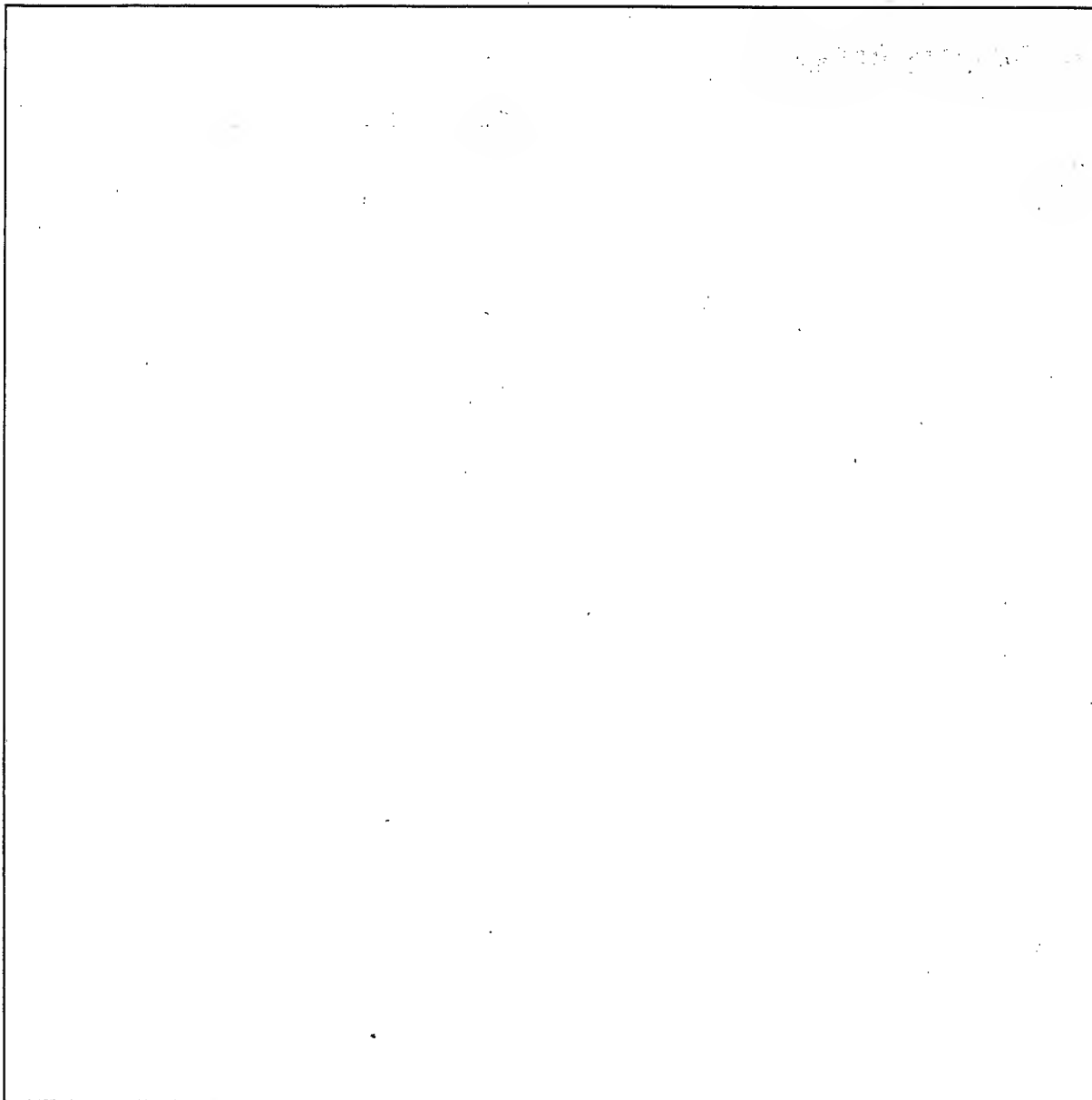
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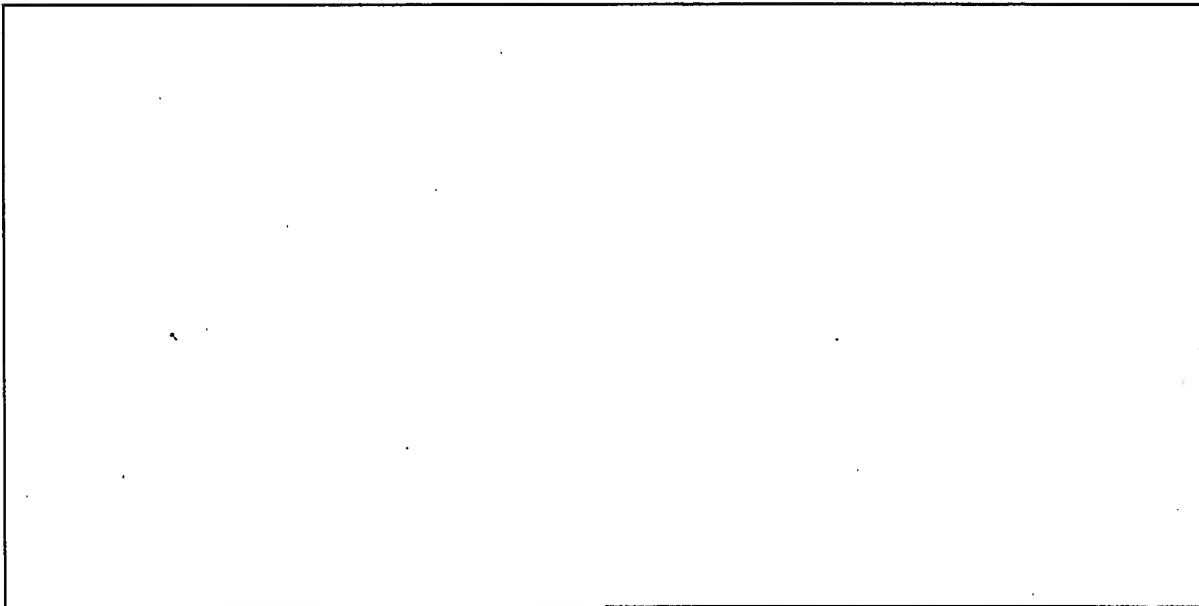


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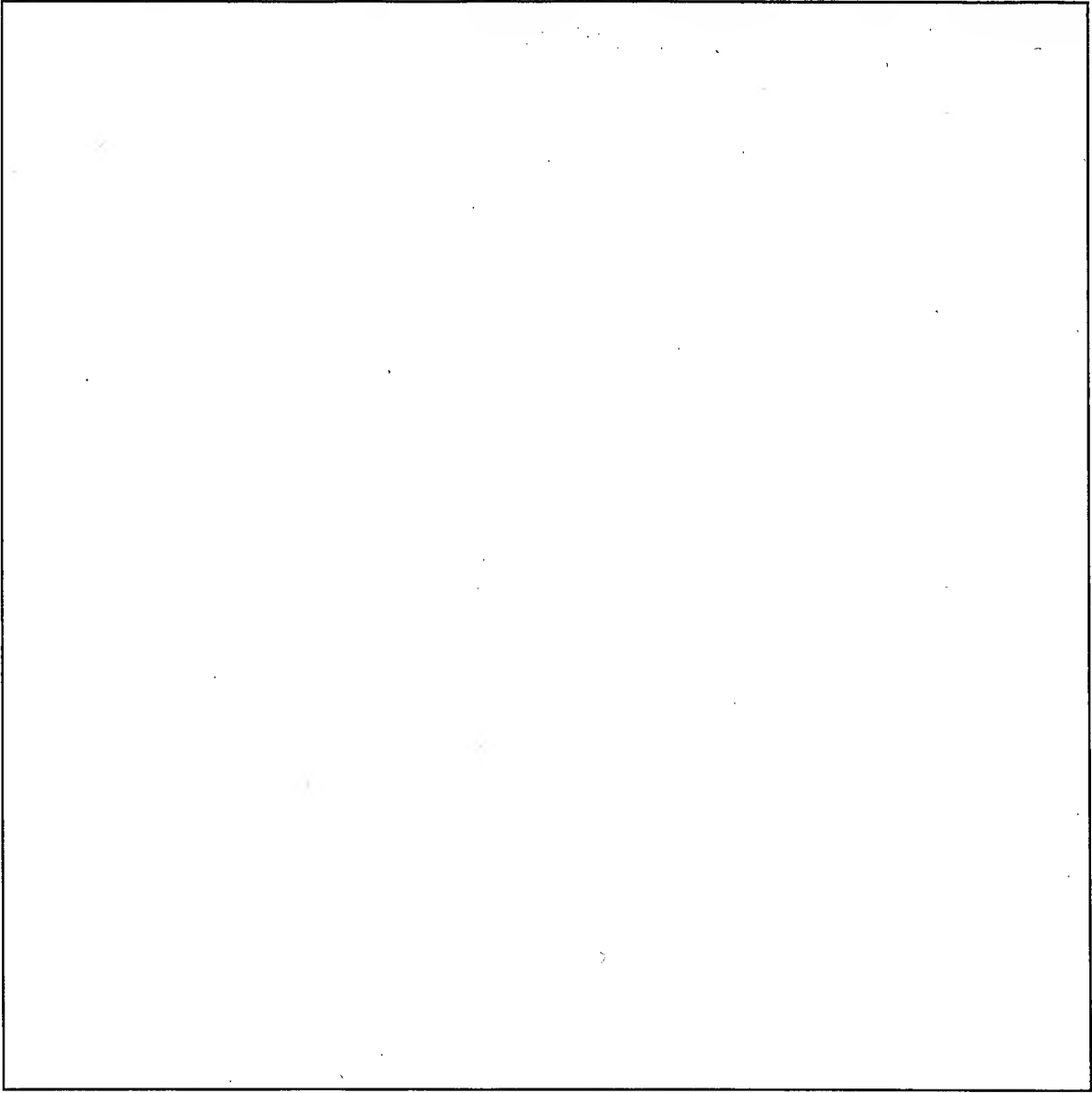


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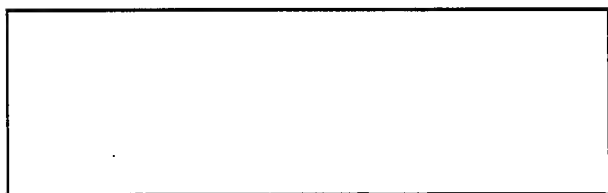
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**From:** Lawrence Lue <lawrencejlue@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 03, 2018 6:18 PM  
**To:** Canetana Hurd  
**Subject:** Fwd: Board and care system  
**Attachments:** Board and Care Fact Sheet.docx

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Email #1 pertaining to Kelly Morrison.

Larry

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**From:** **Caroline Kelly** <[chairlamhc@gmail.com](mailto:chairlamhc@gmail.com)>  
**Date:** Thu, Apr 13, 2017 at 6:41 AM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Board and care system  
**To:** Terry Lewis <[TLewis@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:TLewis@dmh.lacounty.gov)>, Cy Cantena Hurd <[CHurd@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:CHurd@dmh.lacounty.gov)>, Herman DeBose <[herman.debose@csun.edu](mailto:herman.debose@csun.edu)>, Merilla Scott McCurry <[Merillamms@gmail.com](mailto:Merillamms@gmail.com)>, Lawrence Lue <[lawrencejlue@gmail.com](mailto:lawrencejlue@gmail.com)>

Please add this to the documents we have so far on the issue of Board and Care. After the presentation at our general meeting, let's be sure to include those materials and I think I already forwarded you material that Robin had sent earlier in the year. I think I also requested that you check with her to see if there is a more updated version of those documents. If I haven't done this, let me know immediately so I can go through e-mails and find it. Also, please add gather Board and Care data/research as an action item on the master to-do list.

Thank you,

Caroline

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**From:** **Kerry Morrison** <[Kerry@hollywoodbid.org](mailto:Kerry@hollywoodbid.org)>  
**Date:** Wed, Apr 12, 2017 at 5:45 PM  
**Subject:** Board and care system  
**To:** "[chairlamhc@gmail.com](mailto:chairlamhc@gmail.com)" <[chairlamhc@gmail.com](mailto:chairlamhc@gmail.com)>

Hi Caroline, it was an honor to have you participate in the convening last week – thank you for taking the time. We are going to send out the follow-up notes tomorrow.

You mentioned that the commission will be taking a deeper look at the state of our board and care system. Bravo. We have found that several of the most vulnerable from the Top 14 list end up in a b/c because they have no other options after spending time under treatment in a locked facility. The status of most of the board and cares that I have visited is quite worrisome – owners are barely holding on at \$35/day.

My sense is that there is a general awareness that this very precious affordable housing resource is at stake – but it does not appear that there is any good data about what the trends are (are we losing beds, gaining?)

With my Stanton Fellowship, I have been willing to hire someone to do some research to help make my case (I only have anecdotal information now) but I haven't been able to find someone who could do this research for me. Now that the commission is looking at this, perhaps county staff could take a run at this.

I've visited some board and cares – and would be happy to set up some tours if you are interested.

Here are two things I'll pass along. One is a rough draft of a white paper I started (but I need the data to make my points). The second is a blog I wrote last summer.

Thank you for looking into this.

Kerry

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**KERRY MORRISON**

*Executive Director*

[ Hollywood Property Owners Alliance ]

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**From:** Lawrence Lue <lawrencejlue@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 03, 2018 6:21 PM  
**To:** Canetana Hurd  
**Subject:** Fwd: follow up board and care questions from LA County Mental Health Commission.

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**From:** **Caroline Kelly** <chairlamhc@gmail.com>  
**Date:** Sat, Aug 5, 2017 at 5:29 PM  
**Subject:** follow up board and care questions from LA County Mental Health Commission  
**To:** [Claire.Matsushita@dss.ca.gov](mailto:Claire.Matsushita@dss.ca.gov), [Yates.Benita@dss.ca.gov](mailto:Yates.Benita@dss.ca.gov)  
**Cc:** Kerry Morrison <[Kerry@hollywoodbid.org](mailto:Kerry@hollywoodbid.org)>, Barbara Wilson <[batnp@hotmail.com](mailto:batnp@hotmail.com)>, Lawrence Lue <[lawrencejlue@gmail.com](mailto:lawrencejlue@gmail.com)>, Mary Marx <[MMarx@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:MMarx@dmh.lacounty.gov)>

Dear Ms. Matsushita and Ms. Yates,

Thank you so much for presenting to the Mental Health Commission at our April meeting. It has taken a while for our ad hoc committee to assemble but we would like to conclude our focused research on the issue of board and care facilities in Los Angeles County and would greatly appreciate your help in answering some of the following questions. This matter has taken on a special urgency in that the Department of Mental Health has been instructed by the Board to make sure it has a database of all housing inventory. Board and care facilities figure prominently in options for consumers of DMH. We will be meeting again with Mary Marx of DMH on August 14<sup>th</sup> and would love to have some of this information available by then. I apologize for the short turn around request and really appreciate your cooperation.

Essentially we are looking for data that will give a fuller picture of trends in closures and a fuller picture of number of beds and their locations. We would love to go beyond the powerpoint presented and discuss more of the details. We are also trying to find out clearly who tracks this information. For better or worse, board and cares are the only long term option for many individuals and loss of these facilities will exacerbate the homelessness crisis. I am hoping that we can also call you to further discuss these issues.

Questions specific to the powerpoint:

1. In your presentation to the commission, you listed several types of facilities including Adult Day, ARFs, RCF-CI, SRF, EBSH, etc. Do you have actual listings for these different types of facilities and can you provide us with this data? Do you have spreadsheets with this information?

2. One slide said that as of 4/3/2017 there were 1283 ARFs with a bed capacity of 11,979 and RCFEs with a bed capacity of 33,911. Do you have anything showing what the amounts were in previous years? Is this information further broken down by location? We are trying to get a more complete picture of trends in bed capacity across the county and over time—at the least over the last 5-7 years.

3. What percentage of ARF serves mentally disabled vs. developmentally disabled? Has this changed over time?

4. Are board and care operators allowed to charge different rates?

5. Do you have any awareness if a board and care facility is subject to closure?

Best,

Caroline Kelly

Chair, Los Angeles County Mental Health Commission

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**From:** Caroline Kelly <chairlamhc@gmail.com>  
**Date:** Tue, Sep 12, 2017 at 12:06 PM  
**Subject:** Follow up on board and care meeting  
**To:** Mary Marx <MMarx@dmh.lacounty.gov>, Luis Quintanilla <LQuintanilla@dmh.lacounty.gov>, Kerry Morrison <Kerry@hollywoodbid.org>, Barbara Wilson <batnp@hotmail.com>, Lawrence Lue <lawrencejlue@gmail.com>  
**Cc:** Robin Kay <RKay@dmh.lacounty.gov>, Jonathan Sherin <JSherin@dmh.lacounty.gov>, Cy Cantena Hurd <CHurd@dmh.lacounty.gov>

Hi Mary,

I want to thank you again for being part of our board and care meeting and ask about the status of some of the things you stated you would provide us.

1. One of the key things we are looking at is the **trend over the last 2-5 years as far as facilities closing**. We are trying to see if the rate is accelerating more quickly and how many beds we have lost. To that end, you were going to provide us some historic data that the department has so we can have back-up for this discussion. What we have from the department currently gives a snap shot of where we are today.
2. Is there a breakdown between housing for mentally ill, elderly or developmental disabilities?
3. Does the department keep a **record of all board and cares** or just those with which it has an agreement? The recent board motion is looking for an inventory of all housing options. Can you clarify if this is the case and work with us to get the larger inventory pool--either through licensing or LAHSA or another source?

Our ad hoc member, Kerry Morrison, is also on the HHH oversight committee and has raised as a future agenda item the possibility of using this funding to purchase facilities that are in danger of leaving the housing inventory. This information will help her make that case.

We would greatly appreciate receiving this data by September 20th. We are having our next ad hoc committee meeting on the 25th and want to be able to review this prior to that. NAMI executive director will be joining us for that conversation as housing is such an on-going challenge for their membership.

Thank you again. Our ad hoc member, Barbara Wilson continues to be in touch with different operators of these facilities and hears about additional closures that will happen, some by the end of this calendar year!

Best,

Caroline Kelly  
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Email #4 pertaining to Kerry Morrison.

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**From:** **Caroline Kelly** <chairlamhc@gmail.com>  
**Date:** Mon, Sep 25, 2017 at 1:05 PM  
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**To:** Mary Marx <MMarx@dmh.lacounty.gov>  
**Cc:** Barbara Wilson <batnp@hotmail.com>, Kerry Morrison <Kerry@hollywoodbid.org>, Lawrence Lue <lawrencejlue@gmail.com>, Cy Cantena Hurd <CHurd@dmh.lacounty.gov>, Brittney Weisman <brittney@namilaccc.org>

Hi Mary,

Thank you for sending this. I forwarded it to Kerry and Barbara, our other ad hoc members and Kerry had the following questions about the material. We are having the call at 3pm. I am not sure if you are able to join us or maybe have someone else join. If not, it would be great if you could respond to some of these questions or let us know a time to follow up about this information. The questions are in red, below.

Thanks,

Caroline

Conference call info:

Monday, September 25 @3 pm

888 204 5987

#9639884

As requested.

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This is as much info as we have from CCL . They have not verified a number of 6 bed facilities that potentially only served DD.

Table 1. Closures by Category Jan 2014 – Aug 2017

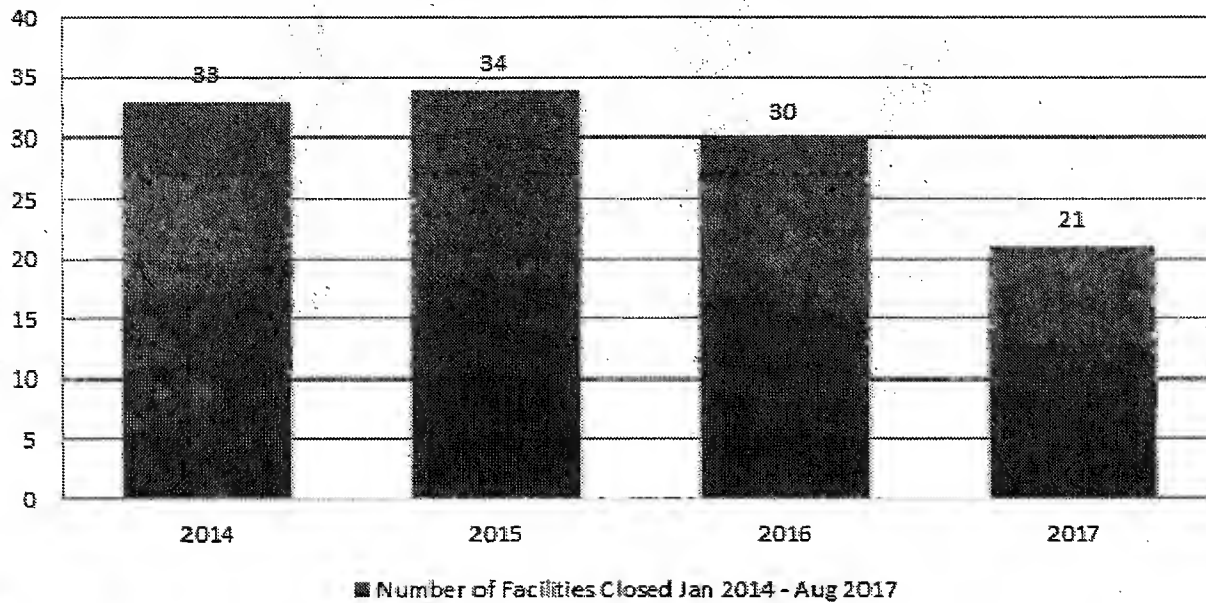
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Closed - Licensee Initiated	99	986
Closed - Agency Initiated	17	157
Closed - Non-payment	2	12
Totals	118	1155

Table 1 represents the number of facilities and the facility's capacity that have closed since 2014. It should be noted that CCL has additional categories that are used, such as when there is a change of ownership or the relocation of a facility; however, these are considered changes that often do not result in the actual closure of a board and care facility.

Are these all facilities, or just Adult Residential Facilities that serve mentally ill?  
Reading this, I would see that there was a loss of 1,115 beds?

Chart 1. Number of Facilities Closed Serving Mental Health Clients

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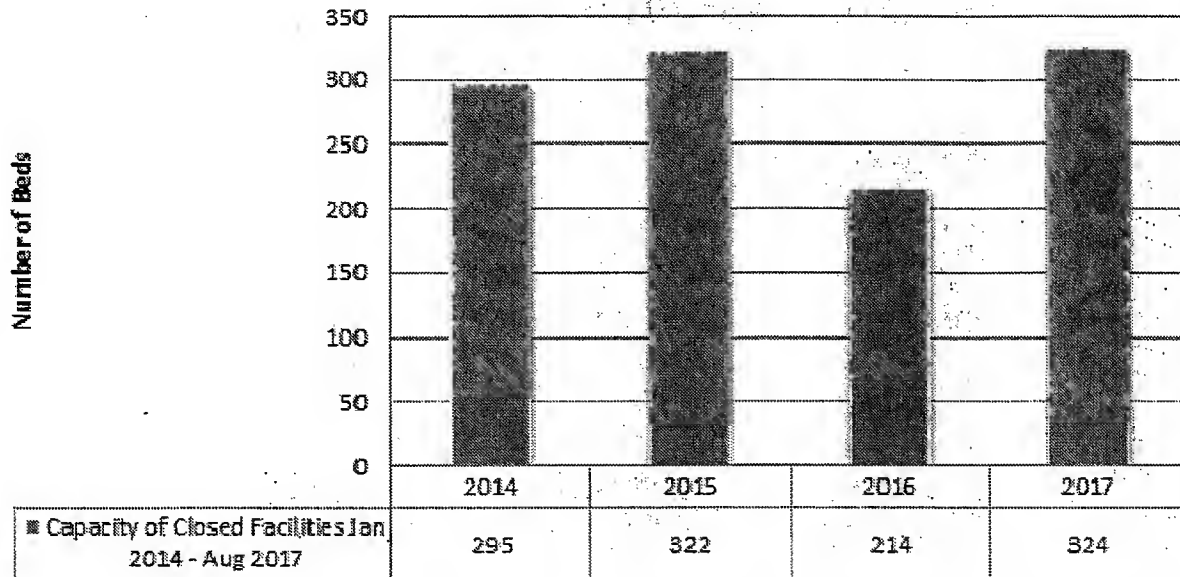
\*Community Care Licensing reported this data includes facilities that serve primarily the "Developmentally Disabled" population.

This looks like a chart for the info provided in Table 1? This shows 118 facilities closed – which is the number above. However, in this one, the asterisk indicates that these facilities primarily serve DD population. That is not what the title says. We need some clarification. Also, it would be important to know how many converted away from a MI population, to a DD population.

Chart 2. Capacity of Closed Facilities

## Capacity of Closed Facilities

Jan 2014 - Sept 2017\*



Again, this is the number of beds presented in Table 1, but we have the same questions as I listed above.

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**Kathy Jones**

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**From:** Lawrence Lue <lawrencejlue@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 03, 2018 6:33 PM  
**To:** Canetana Hurd  
**Subject:** Fwd: "DMH Board and Care Walking Tour w Barbara Wilson" is still on for the 31st

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Email #5 pertaining to Kerry Morrison.

Larry

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**From:** **Caroline Kelly** <carolinekelly3@gmail.com>  
**Date:** Sun, Jan 28, 2018 at 9:21 AM  
**Subject:** "DMH Board and Care Walking Tour w Barbara Wilson" is still on for the 31st  
**To:** Mimi McKay <MMMckay@dmh.lacounty.gov>, stacy dalgleish <commissionerstacydalgleish@gmail.com>, Commissioner Lue <lawrencejlue@gmail.com>, Brittney Weissman <brittney@namilaccc.org>, Kerry Morrison <kerryhmorrison@gmail.com>, "Barbara B Wilson (barbarabwilsonlcswh@gmail.com)" <barbarabwilsonlcswh@gmail.com>

Hi everyone,

Barbara will be sending out the itinerary tomorrow. Please look for it and confirm if you will be able to attend.

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**From:** **BarbaraB Wilson** <barbarabwilsonlcswh@gmail.com>  
**Date:** Sun, Jan 28, 2018 at 8:34 AM  
**Subject:** RE: "DMH Board and Care Walking Tour w Barbara Wilson"  
**To:** Caroline Kelly <carolinekelly3@gmail.com>

Yes, we are still planning the tour. It will go all day although it's understood that some folks may need to leave early.

Tentative plan is to meet up at 8:15 a.m. so that we can car pool since we can both talk in between stops as well as minimize parking issues. I'll send a final itinerary tomorrow. Also it would be helpful to know the total number of people who will be coming.

Thanks

Barbara

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**From:** Caroline Kelly

**Sent:** Saturday, January 27, 2018 4:01 PM

**To:** Barbara B Wilson (barbarabwilsonlcs@gmail.com); Barbara B Wilson

**Cc:** stacy dalgleish; Commissioner Lue; Mimi McKay; Kerry Morrison

**Subject:** Re: "DMH Board and Care Walking Tour w Barbara Wilson"

Hi Barbara,

We had set a tentative date for this but never confirmed. Are we still on for this? If not, can we pick another date this month? Thanks for letting us all know.

Best,

Caroline

On Sat, Jan 27, 2018 at 12:44 PM, Mimi McKay <[MMMckay@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:MMMckay@dmh.lacounty.gov)> wrote:

I'd like to know as well and want to join as well if I can make it work.

I don't know Barbara and assume Caroline will be able to inform but if not I'll track this down on Monday.

MMM

213.738.2862

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From: stacy dalgleish <[commissionerstacydalgleish@gmail.com](mailto:commissionerstacydalgleish@gmail.com)>

Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2018 12:25 PM

Subject: "DMH Board and Care Walking Tour w Barbara Wilson"

To: Mimi McKay <[mmmckay@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:mmmckay@dmh.lacounty.gov)>, Caroline Kelly <[carolinekelly3@gmail.com](mailto:carolinekelly3@gmail.com)>, Commissioner Lue <[lawrencejlue@gmail.com](mailto:lawrencejlue@gmail.com)>

Good Morning,

I have a "DMH Board and Care Walking Tour w Barbara Wilson" on my January 31st calendar.

It was mentioned at a commission meeting but I have not heard anything more about time or location.

Please let me know if this is still scheduled.

Have fun this weekend.

Stacy

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**From:** Lawrence Lue <lawrencejlue@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 03, 2018 6:41 PM  
**To:** Canetana Hurd  
**Subject:** Fwd: Ad Hoc Committee report on Board and Cares

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Email #6 pertaining to Kerry Morrison. Not in date sequence (prior to) relative to Email #5.

Larry

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**From:** **Caroline Kelly** <CaKelly@dmh.lacounty.gov>  
**Date:** Mon, Jan 22, 2018 at 11:47 AM  
**Subject:** Ad Hoc Committee report on Board and Cares  
**To:** Canetana Hurd <CHurd@dmh.lacounty.gov>, "lawrencejlue@gmail.com" <lawrencejlue@gmail.com>, Kerry Morrison <kerryhmorrison@me.com>, "barbarawilsonlcs@gmail.com" <barbarawilsonlcs@gmail.com>

Please forward this to the full commission today with the following message.

Dear Commissioners,

At the January 25<sup>th</sup> meeting, the ad hoc committee on Board and Care facilities will ask the commission to approve our draft, subject to additional editing (for better formatting, not substantial changes in content). We are looking for the commission to approve this so that we can begin reaching out to different groups to seek funding and partnerships.

As of right now, the ad hoc committee, through its member, Kerry Morrison has requested to be on the agenda of the next HHH meeting on February 16<sup>th</sup>. We will be asking the HHH group to consider either providing patches or looking into the purchase of board and cares that will be closing. We hope to finalize our draft to present to this group. I will be present to answer questions about the report at this time. The last segment of our report includes the specific recommendations to the Department and the Board. As you will see, most focus on the department doing more as far as inventory and looking at potential funding models.

If you do not feel you can fully approve the report, we hope that you can make specific recommendations for us to consider for incorporation, we can call an ad hoc committee conference call and we can seek final approval at the executive committee meeting, as long as commissioners approved that the executive committee could

approve it subject to certain changes. For reasons of Brown Act, we can't discuss this report as a whole body via e-mail but if you have specific suggestions to incorporate before Thursday, please do e-mail me directly.

Thanks,

Caroline

**Caroline Kelly, JD**

Consultant for Systems Redesign, Office of the Director

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**From:** Lawrence Lue <lawrencejlue@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 03, 2018 6:46 PM  
**To:** Canetana Hurd  
**Subject:** Fwd: Tour of Board & Care Homes Spa 2

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Email #7 pertaining to Kerry Morrison.

Larry

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**From:** Lawrence Lue <lawrencejlue@gmail.com>  
**Date:** Tue, Jan 30, 2018 at 8:10 AM  
**Subject:** Re: Tour of Board & Care Homes Spa 2  
**To:** Mimi McKay <MMMckay@dmh.lacounty.gov>  
**Cc:** Barbara B Wilson <barbarabwilsonlcs@gmail.com>, stacy dalgleish <commissionerstacydalgleish@gmail.com>, Kerry Morrison <kerryhmorrison@gmail.com>

Hi Barbara,

Thank you for working on the Board and Care Report and for organizing and hosting this tour. Unfortunately my schedule tomorrow is such (book-ended) that I might only be able to join you mid-day. Depending on how the time goes, I will text you if I think there's enough time to catch up with you and get back to my late afternoon appointment.

Again, my thanks and appreciation.

Larry

On Tue, Jan 30, 2018 at 7:09 AM, Mimi McKay <MMMckay@dmh.lacounty.gov> wrote:  
Thanks, Barbara and really wish I could join but am now booked solid in meetings. If something cancels and I can break free to join at a location I will text. And thanks so very much for hosting this!  
Mimi

Mimi Martinez McKay, M.A., M.L.I.S.  
Deputy Director, Strategic Planning  
Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health  
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**From:** Barbara B Wilson <barbarabwilsonlcs@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 29, 2018 7:13 PM  
**To:** BarbaraB Wilson  
**Cc:** stacy dalgleish; Commissioner Lue; Mimi McKay; Kerry Morrison  
**Subject:** Tour of Board & Care Homes Spa 2

I have scheduled an all day tour that will include a large facility, some 6 bed facilities and an unlicensed facility.

For those who are interested in car-pooling I will be at the Denny's Restaurant located at Hubbard & #210 Fwy for a meet-up at 8:15 a.m.

PLEASE do not enter the facility without us going in together. The presence of "outsiders" can be disruptive both to the residents and their routine. I will call ahead to remind each facility that we're en route.

1) Large Facility---Ari Rosner  
Sunland Manor  
10540 Sherman Grove Av/  
Sunland Ca 91040  
818-352-6941

\*\*cell phone reception can be compromised at this location due to the hills.

2) Unlicensed Facility---Tim Walker  
9733 Columbus Av/ North Hills

3) 6-bed Licensed Facility--- Edna Leopoldo  
Sharp B/C  
10537 sharp Av  
Arleta 91331

4) 6-Bed Licensed (multiple facilities) Liz Bijou  
Amigo B/C  
8238 Amigo Av  
Reseda 91335

5) 6-Bed Licensed (Legacy owner) Sam Blake  
Blake Family Home  
606 Jackman Av  
Sylmar, Ca 91342

6) Golden State Lodge female Mary Lou Bernarde  
11465 Gladstone Av  
Lakeview Terrace, Ca

I understand that some of u will need to leave by noon while others are unable to come until after noon. Please feel free to just call me or text me at 818-517-9902 if you need to "meet up" and know where we are located at that moment.

I look forward to the day. Hopefully there will be enough time for time to share impressions and/or ask questions.

Barbara B Wilson LCSW

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**From:** Lawrence Lue <lawrencejlue@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 03, 2018 6:50 PM  
**To:** Canetana Hurd  
**Subject:** Fwd: "DMH Board and Care Walking Tour w Barbara Wilson"

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Email #8 pertaining to Kerry Morrison.

Larry

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**From:** **Caroline Kelly** <carolinekelly3@gmail.com>  
**Date:** Sat, Jan 27, 2018 at 4:01 PM  
**Subject:** Re: "DMH Board and Care Walking Tour w Barbara Wilson"  
**To:** "Barbara B Wilson (barbarabwilsonlcs@gmail.com)" <barbarabwilsonlcs@gmail.com>, Barbara B Wilson <batnp@hotmail.com>  
**Cc:** stacy dalglish <commissionerstacydalglish@gmail.com>, Commissioner Lue <lawrencejlue@gmail.com>, Mimi McKay <MMMckay@dmh.lacounty.gov>, Kerry Morrison <kerryhmorrison@gmail.com>

Hi Barbara,

We had set a tentative date for this but never confirmed. Are we still on for this? If not, can we pick another date this month? Thanks for letting us all know.

Best,

Caroline

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**From:** Lawrence Lue <lawrencejlue@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 03, 2018 6:50 PM  
**To:** Canetana Hurd  
**Subject:** Fwd: "DMH Board and Care Walking Tour w Barbara Wilson"

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Email #9 pertaining to Kerry Morrison.

Larry

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**From:** stacy dalgleish <commissionerstacydalgleish@gmail.com>  
**Date:** Tue, Jan 30, 2018 at 7:36 PM  
**Subject:** Re: "DMH Board and Care Walking Tour w Barbara Wilson"  
**To:** "Barbara B Wilson (barbarabwilsonlcswh@gmail.com)" <barbarabwilsonlcswh@gmail.com>, Barbara B Wilson <batnp@hotmail.com>  
**Cc:** Caroline Kelly <carolinekelly3@gmail.com>, Commissioner Lue <lawrencejlue@gmail.com>, Mimi McKay <MMMckay@dmh.lacounty.gov>, Kerry Morrison <kerryhmorrison@gmail.com>

Hello Barbara,

I am planning on attending. I will be coming from Santa Monica and will text you in the morning with where I will be catching up to you.

My number is: 310-701-9876.

Stacy

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**From:** Lawrence Lue <lawrencejlue@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 03, 2018 6:57 PM  
**To:** Canetana Hurd  
**Subject:** Fwd: Kuehl Happenings

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Email #10 pertaining to Kerry Morrison.

Larry

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**From:** Caroline Kelly <carolinekelly3@gmail.com>

**Date:** Sun, Mar 18, 2018 at 9:00 AM

**Subject:** Re: Kuehl Happenings

**To:** Kerry Morrison <kerryhmorrison@gmail.com>

**Cc:** Barbara B Wilson <barbarabwilsonlcs@gmail.com>, Brittney Weissman <brittney@namilaccc.org>, Lisa Kodmur <lisakodmur@gmail.com>, stacy dalgleish <commissionerstacydalgleish@gmail.com>, Commissioner Lue <lawrencejlue@gmail.com>, "Harold Turner (hturner@namiurbanla.org) (hturner@namiurbanla.org)" <hturner@namiurbanla.org>

Dr. Sherin mentioned how nice it was to see your daughter accept it. So well deserved Kerry and so happy to see you acknowledged for all you do. Your mom would have been proud of this.

Best,  
Caroline

On Sun, Mar 18, 2018 at 8:55 AM, Kerry Morrison <kerryhmorrison@gmail.com> wrote:  
Thank you Barbara -- it was such an honor to be acknowledged in this way by Sheila. Thank you for forwarding this as I had not seen that.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Kerry

On Sun, Mar 18, 2018 at 12:03 AM, Barbara B Wilson <barbarabwilsonlcs@gmail.com> wrote:  
Congrats Kerry!

Barbara

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From: **Sheila Kuehl** <[sheila@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:sheila@bos.lacounty.gov)>

Date: Sat, Mar 17, 2018 at 10:30 AM

Subject: Kuehl Happenings

To: [barbarabwilsonlcs@gmail.com](mailto:barbarabwilsonlcs@gmail.com)



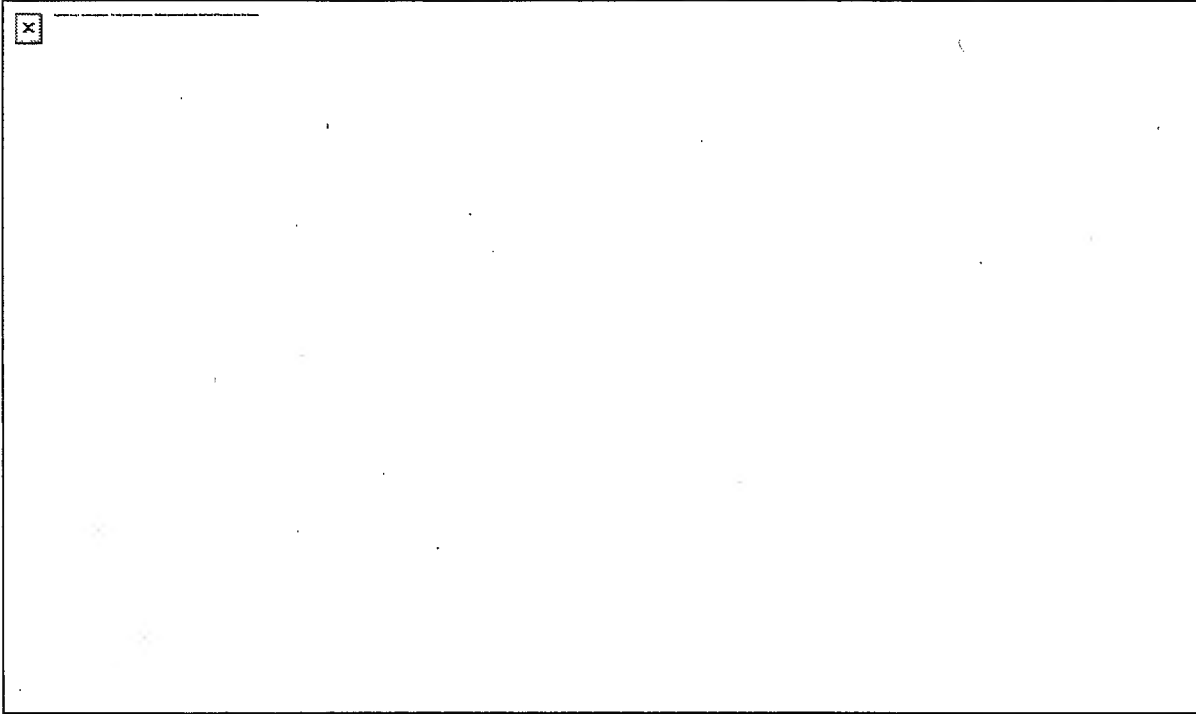
An average of three people die every day in Los Angeles County as a result of gun violence, and young people are vastly overrepresented in that number. But gun violence is not the only violent cause of death and injury in the county.

The best way to deal with these dismal facts is to take a comprehensive public health approach that addresses not only gun violence, but child and elder abuse, suicide, and domestic and intimate partner violence and develop a plan to ensure that every man, woman, and child in our communities are free from violence.

I was immensely proud that the Board unanimously approved a motion I co-authored with Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas to explore legislative options at the county and state level that would further restrict access to firearms, as well as direct the Department of Public Health to develop a strategic and comprehensive violence prevention plan.

We've had enough moments of silence, of praying for slain co-workers, school children, and neighbors.

**Read More: [L.A. County supervisors OK motion to study stricter gun](#)**



More affordable housing is coming to the Third District!

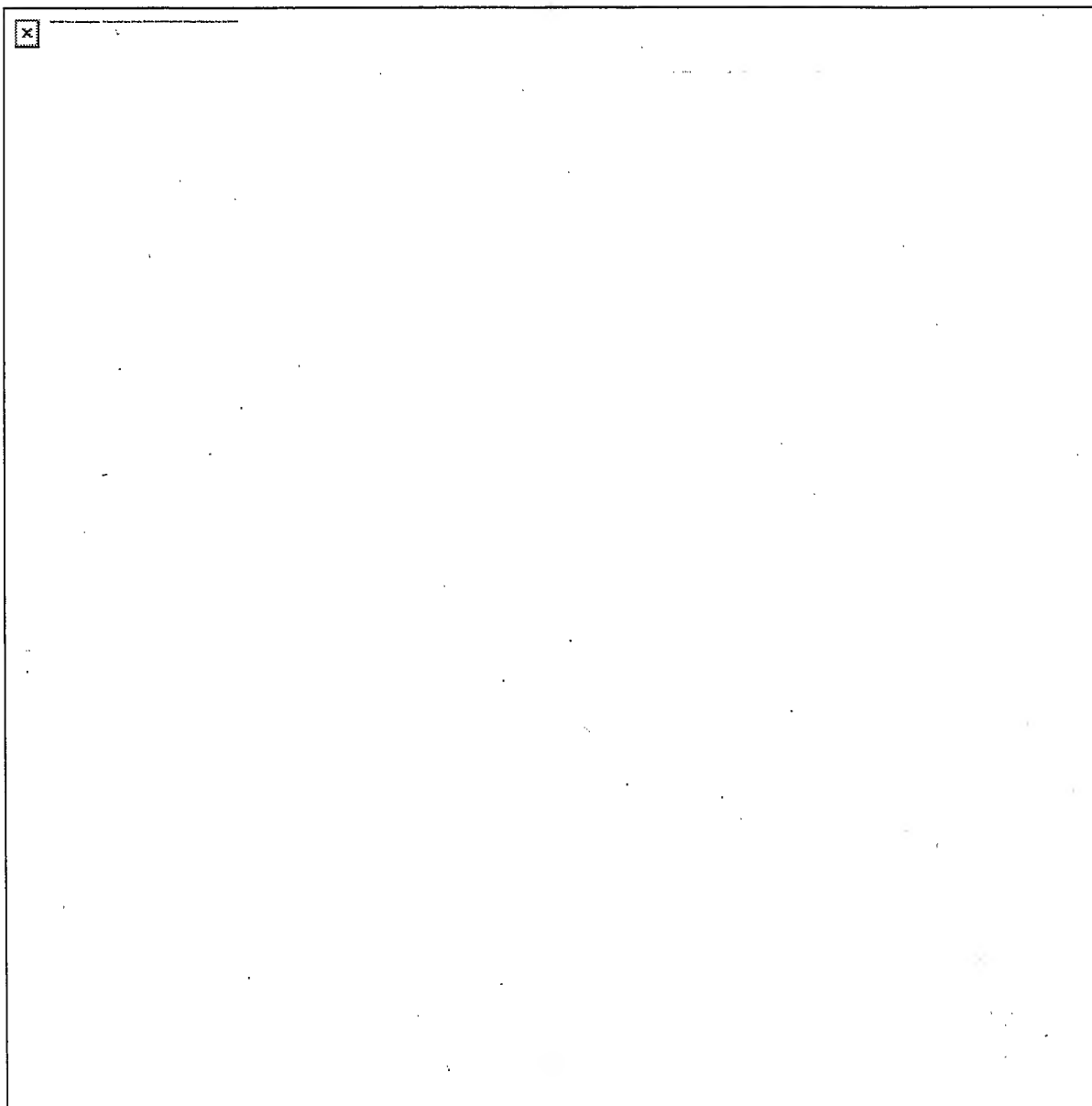
We approved the development and funding of the Casa del Sol Project, which will create 44 new housing units in the Sun Valley community. Forty-three of those units will be reserved for formerly homeless and chronically homeless seniors with diagnosed mental health disabilities.

Two supportive housing developments have opened in the Third District this year, and nine more are in the works!

That and much more from our meeting, including recognizing a trailblazer in the trans medical community, combatting HEP A, and a report from our

CSEC leadership team in this week's Board of Supes' Take 5.

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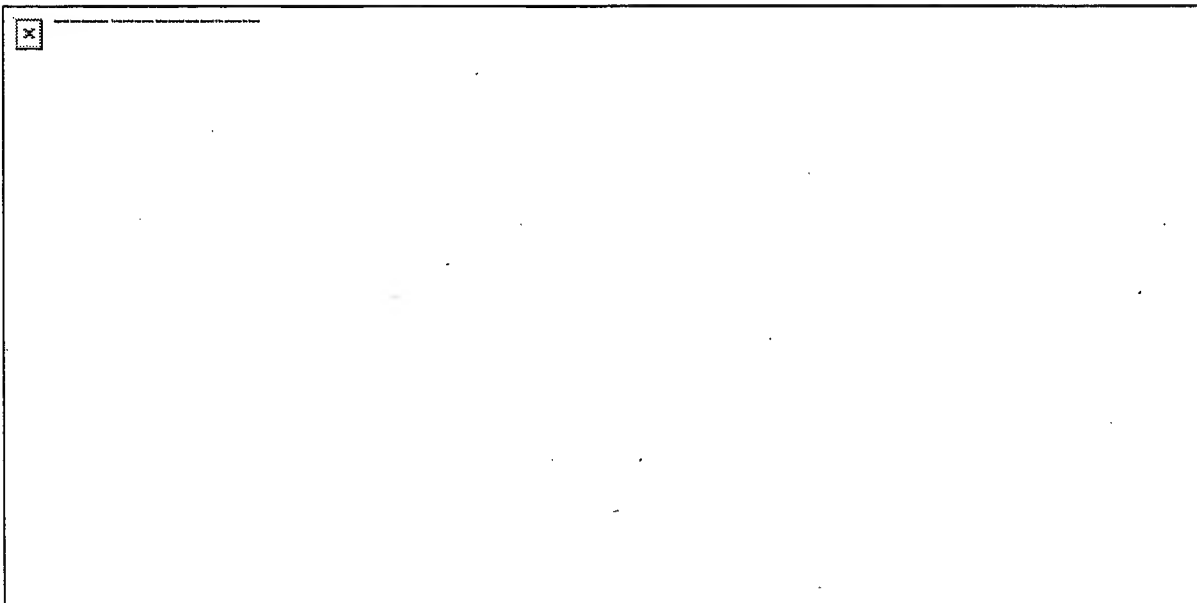
We had a fantastic Open House at our West Valley & Mountain Communities District Office on Thursday night!

It was a great opportunity for me and my exceptional District staff -- Susan Ng, Blake Clayton, and Leah Cohen -- to welcome the community and let our constituents, organizations, service providers and neighbors get to

know each other better.

Highlights included a pair of "ACE"s, with delicious food courtesy of the **Academy of Culinary Education**, and some truly impressive (and very timely) artwork from the kids at the **Alliance for Community Empowerment**.

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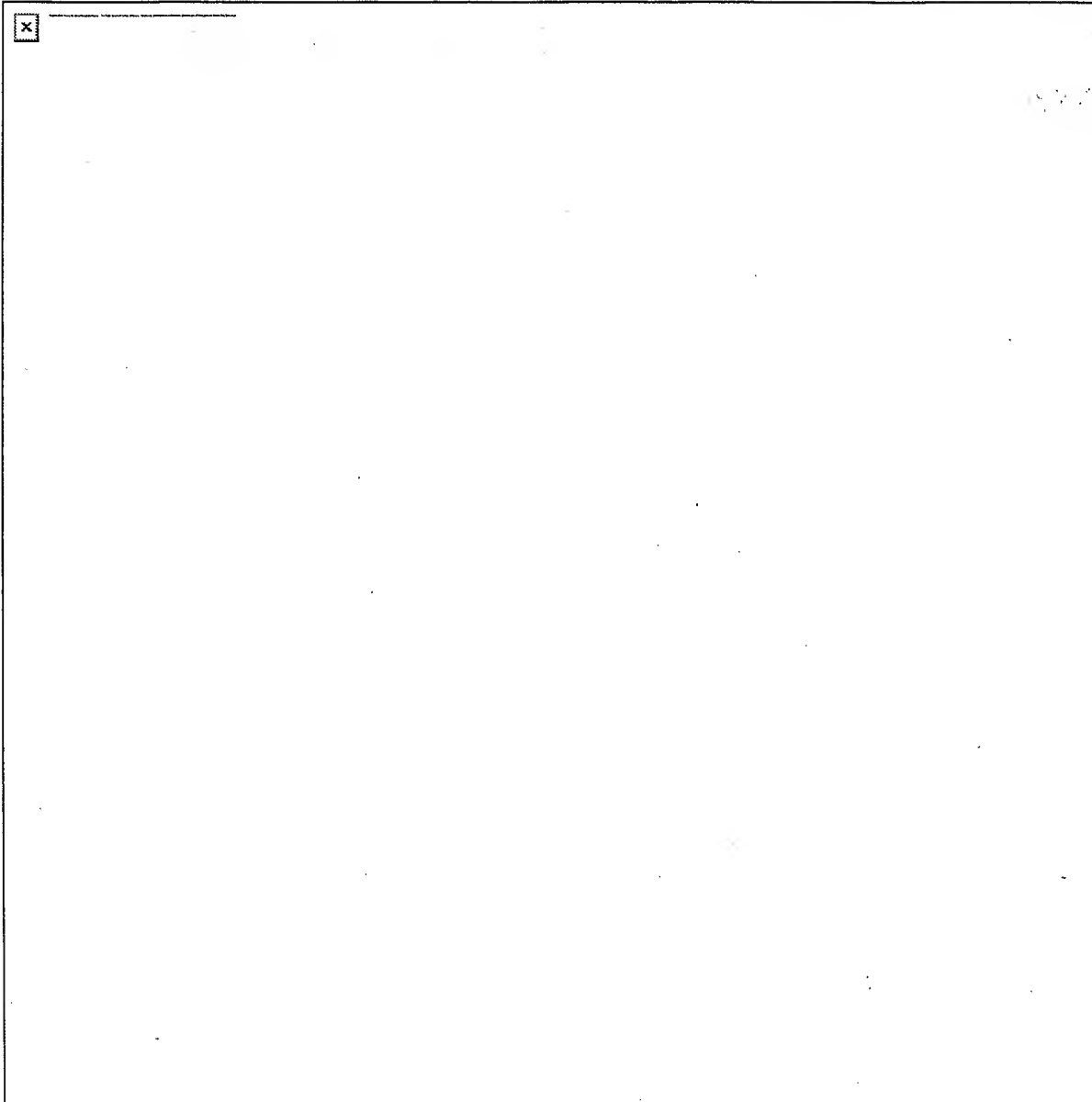
Are you a graduate student looking to be a part of the movement to end homelessness?

We are looking for passionate leaders for the Home for Good Homelessness Policy Fellowship. Fellows will be placed in my office, Supervisor Ridley-Thomas's office, City Councilman Harris-Dawson's office, the Department of Mental Health, and the City of Pasadena.

The deadline to apply for this exciting opportunity is April 1st. You can

**submit your application here**, and please help widen our search by forwarding this to any leaders you know!

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Finally, a big congrats to our 2018 Third District Woman of the Year, Kerry Morrison -- whom we honored on Monday for her extraordinary leadership in bringing diverse stakeholders together to help the most vulnerable people in her community.

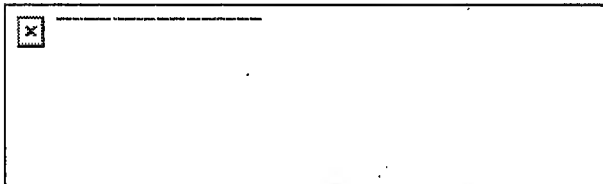


Kerry founded Hollywood FWRD, a coalition of community, faith, and business organizations in Hollywood to address the growing homeless crisis in the community. She is a previous Chair of the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority and, under her leadership, LAHSA focused special attention on the fast-rising numbers of homeless women.

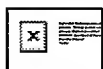
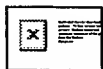
She is now bringing her tireless advocacy and her powerful moral voice to her current role of Executive Director of the Hollywood Property Owners Alliance.

Congratulations Kerry, and thank you for all the amazing work you do!

Have a great weekend!



Sheila Kuehl, Los Angeles County Supervisor



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**From:** Kita Curry <KCurry@didihirsch.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 03, 2018 7:55 PM  
**To:** Canetana Hurd  
**Subject:** RE: CPRA request (LACMHC.2018.02.15)

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I searched my emails and did not find any messages from Ms. Morrison or the two email addresses you provided.

Kita

Kita S. Curry, PhD  
President/CEO



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**From:** Canetana Hurd [mailto:CHurd@dmh.lacounty.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 03, 2018 12:56 PM  
**Subject:** RE: CPRA request (LACMHC.2018.02.15)

Commissioners,

I received a Public Records Request from a Mr. Riskin (see below). Margo Morales, DMH Administrative Deputy, will be handling the request to assure we are in compliance with CPRA (LACMHC.2018.02.15) before releasing the information to the requester.

Review the email from Mr. Riskin then search your emails for any messages between you and Ms. Morrison from the period of Jan. 1, 2017 to the date of your search. Any messages you identify should be forwarded to me or a statement that you did not locate any messages to or from Ms. Morrison by close of business on Monday, April 9, 2017.

If you have any questions feel free to contact Margo Morales directly at (213) 738-2891.

Thank you

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**From:** DMH PIO  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 27, 2018 2:29 PM  
**To:** Canetana Hurd  
**Subject:** FW: CPRA request (LACMHC.2018.02.15)

Cai,

Please see below.

Public Information Office  
PH: (213) 738-3700  
[pio@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:pio@dmh.lacounty.gov)

**Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health**

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-----Original Message-----

From: [adrian@internet-mail.org](mailto:adrian@internet-mail.org) (<mailto:adrian@internet-mail.org>)  
Sent: Sunday, March 25, 2018 6:14 PM  
To: [mentalhealthcommission@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:mentalhealthcommission@dmh.lacounty.gov); DMH PIO; DMH MHSA PEI; [jesherin@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:jesherin@dmh.lacounty.gov)  
Subject: Re: CPRA request (LACMHC.2018.02.15)

Good evening, MHC.

I wonder if you could tell me the status of this request. A response was due over a month ago.

Thank you,

Adrian Riskin

On Tue, Mar 20, 2018, at 6:07 PM, [adrian@internet-mail.org](mailto:adrian@internet-mail.org) wrote:

> Good evening, MHC.

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> I'm just wondering what's become of this request. No one has yet  
> responded to it.

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> thanks for your help,

>

> Adrian Riskin

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> On Tue, Mar 13, 2018, at 9:39 AM, [adrian@internet-mail.org](mailto:adrian@internet-mail.org) wrote:

> > Good morning yet again, MHC.

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> > I'm just wondering what the status of this request is. A reply was  
> > due on or about February 25.

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> > Thanks,  
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> > Adrian  
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> > On Wed, Feb 28, 2018, at 8:31 AM, [adrian@internet-mail.org](mailto:adrian@internet-mail.org) wrote:  
> > > Good morning, MHC.  
> > >  
> > > I'm just writing to ask what's up with this request? A response is overdue.  
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> > > Thanks for your help,  
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> > > Adrian Riskin  
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> > > On Thu, Feb 15, 2018, at 11:46 AM, [adrian@internet-mail.org](mailto:adrian@internet-mail.org) wrote:  
> > > > Good morning, Mental Health Commission.  
> > > >  
> > > > I would like to look at all emails between Kerry Morrison and  
> > > > anyone at the Mental Health Commission, whether staff or  
> > > > commissioner, where "between" means to/from/cc/bcc. I believe  
> > > > that Ms. Morrison regularly uses the email addresses  
> > > > [kerry@hollywoodbid.org](mailto:kerry@hollywoodbid.org) and [kerryhmorrison@gmail.com](mailto:kerryhmorrison@gmail.com). Therefore,  
> > > > a search on those two addresses should suffice, unless you all  
> > > > know of other likely email addresses, in which case please search on those as well.  
> > > >  
> > > > I need to see these emails from January 1, 2017 through the date  
> > > > you run the search. I need to see them in their native email  
> > > > format, i.e. one of EML, MSG, MBOX, or PST, as required by CPRA at section 6253.9(a)(1).  
> > > > I need to see the attachments in their native formats as well.  
> > > >  
> > > > Thanks for your help,  
> > > >  
> > > > Adrian Riskin

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**From:** Susan Friedman <suznewz22@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 03, 2018 7:55 PM  
**To:** Canetana Hurd  
**Subject:** Re: CPRA request (LACMHC.2018.02.15)

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I never received any email  
Communication from this person.

Susan Friedman  
Commissioner MH

Sent from my iPhone 6.  
Please excuse errors.  
This phone has a mind of its own.

On Apr 3, 2018, at 2:55 PM, Canetana Hurd <[CHurd@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:CHurd@dmh.lacounty.gov)> wrote:

Commissioners,

I received a Public Records Request from a Mr. Riskin (see below). Margo Morales, DMH Administrative Deputy, will be handling the request to assure we are in compliance with CPRA (LACMHC.2018.02.15) before releasing the information to the requester.

Review the email from Mr. Riskin then search your emails for any messages between you and Ms. Morrison from the period of Jan. 1, 2017 to the date of your search. Any messages you identify should be forwarded to me or a statement that you did not locate any messages to or from Ms. Morrison by close of business on Monday, April 9, 2017.

If you have any questions feel free to contact Margo Morales directly at (213) 738-2891.

Thank you

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**From:** DMH PIO  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 27, 2018 2:29 PM  
**To:** Canetana Hurd  
**Subject:** FW: CPRA request (LACMHC.2018.02.15)

Cal,

Please see below.

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**Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health**

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From: [adrian@internet-mail.org](mailto:adrian@internet-mail.org) (mailto:[adrian@internet-mail.org](mailto:adrian@internet-mail.org))

Sent: Sunday, March 25, 2018 6:14 PM

To: [mentalhealthcommission@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:mentalhealthcommission@dmh.lacounty.gov); DMH PIO; DMH MHSA PEI; [jesherin@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:jesherin@dmh.lacounty.gov)

Subject: Re: CPRA request (LACMHC.2018.02.15)

Good evening, MHC.

I wonder if you could tell me the status of this request. A response was due over a month ago.

Thank you,

Adrian Riskin

On Tue, Mar 20, 2018, at 6:07 PM, [adrian@internet-mail.org](mailto:adrian@internet-mail.org) wrote:

> Good evening, MHC.

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> I'm just wondering what's become of this request. No one has yet responded to it.

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> thanks for your help,

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> Adrian Riskin

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> On Tue, Mar 13, 2018, at 9:39 AM, [adrian@internet-mail.org](mailto:adrian@internet-mail.org) wrote:

> > Good morning yet again, MHC.

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> > I'm just wondering what the status of this request is. A reply was due on or about February 25.

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> > Thanks,

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> > Adrian

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> > On Wed, Feb 28, 2018, at 8:31 AM, [adrian@internet-mail.org](mailto:adrian@internet-mail.org) wrote:

> > > Good morning, MHC.

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> > > I'm just writing to ask what's up with this request? A response is overdue.

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> > > Thanks for your help,

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> > > Adrian Riskin

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>>> On Thu, Feb 15, 2018, at 11:46 AM, [adrian@internet-mall.org](mailto:adrian@internet-mall.org) wrote:  
>>>> Good morning, Mental Health Commission.  
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>>>> I would like to look at all emails between Kerry Morrison and  
>>>> anyone at the Mental Health Commission, whether staff or  
>>>> commissioner, where "between" means to/from/cc/bcc. I believe  
>>>> that Ms. Morrison regularly uses the email addresses  
>>>> [kerry@hollywoodbid.org](mailto:kerry@hollywoodbid.org) and [kerryhmorrison@gmail.com](mailto:kerryhmorrison@gmail.com). Therefore,  
>>>> a search on those two addresses should suffice, unless you all  
>>>> know of other likely email addresses, in which case please search on those as  
well.  
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>>>> I need to see these emails from January 1, 2017 through the date  
>>>> you run the search. I need to see them in their native email  
>>>> format, i.e. one of EML, MSG, MBOX, or PST, as required by CPRA at section  
6253.9(a)(1).  
>>>> I need to see the attachments in their native formats as well.  
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>>>> Thanks for your help,  
>>>>  
>>>> Adrian Riskin



**Kathy Jones**

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**From:** Brittney Weissman <brittney@namilaccc.org>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 27, 2017 3:48 PM  
**To:** Stephany Campos  
**Cc:** Jeffrey Arnold; Sieglinde Von Deffner; Joel Braslow; Miriam Brown; Cameron Langhans; Caroline Kelly; Richard Van Horn; Jackelyn Lawson; Anthony Ruffin; Roderick Shaner; Kerri Morrison; Amie Quigley; Gregory Parker; Emily DeFraités; Nicholas Greif; Susan Lee; Scot Fears; Loretta Y. Howitt; Celina Alvarez; Sarah Dusseault; Susan Partovi; Jim Preis; Gina Di Domenico; Amber Roth; Connie Draxler; Leslie Smith; Gita O'Neill; La Tina Jackson; Ben Conway; Mark Casanova; Philippe Bourgois; Sarah Evans; Martin Schlageter; Ari Simon; Sarah Short; Mark Gale  
**Subject:** Re: Recommendations to LAC Board of Supervisors

Hi all —

Heads up! On next Tuesday, Supervisor Barger is bringing a motion to ask DMH, county counsel and others to present legislative proposals to the Board to expand the definition of grave disability. One of the recommendations in the DMH strategic plan presented at the BOS meeting a couple of weeks ago is to support legislation to expand the definition of "gravely disabled" to include a person's inability to provide medical care for him or herself due to a mental disorder. This was a focus for our work group and next week's motion furthers that work. See the motion here:

<http://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/bos/supdocs/117815.pdf>

Are any of you available to join me in providing supportive comments?

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On Oct 20, 2017, at 4:16 PM, Stephany Campos <[scampos@hhcla.org](mailto:scampos@hhcla.org)> wrote:

Hello Group,

Sarah at Public Counsel, brought this article to our attention: <http://www.scp.org/news/2017/10/17/76751/la-officials-struggle-with-options-for-homeless-wi/>

As you will see, "Supervisors unanimously voted to pursue the suggestions, **except for one** — an expanded definition of 'gravely disabled' to include those with medical issues who don't pursue treatment "due to a mental disorder."

The good news is all of the other recommendations were agreed upon by the Supervisors to look into. For the time being, they decided to table the idea of an expanded definition.

Thank you, Sarah, for the update. We will continue to track the progress of the recommendations.

Have a great weekend.

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**From:** Stephany Campos <[scampos@hhcla.org](mailto:scampos@hhcla.org)>

**Date:** Thursday, October 19, 2017 at 2:33 PM

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**Subject:** Recommendations to LAC Board of Supervisors

Hello Everyone,

I hope this message finds you all well.

Attached you will find the list of 13 recommendations the Los Angeles Department of Mental Health provided to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors. Our working group (subcommittee) was recognized and our suggestions were mentioned. For example, recommendation 5 calls for the definition of gravely disabled to be broadened. Many of the recommendations increase DMH's role on the issue of how we treat those in our community that are gravely disabled.

Thank you again for your participation in our subcommittee. We will continue to keep you posted with related updates.

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HILDA L. SOLIS

OCTOBER 31, 2017

**Assessment of Grave Disability**

Los Angeles County is committed to improving options, treatment and outcomes for those suffering with mental illness. Perhaps one of the most difficult populations to reach in this regard is the homeless population. A 2017 report by Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) estimates that 30% of the County's homeless population (15,728 individuals) suffers from a serious mental illness. Within our homeless population, there is a significant segment of individuals who refuse treatment but are clearly in need of mental health care.

At the Board's request, the Department of Mental Health (DMH) convened a full range of County and community stakeholders to thoroughly examine current methods of engagement, delivery of services, and related laws to empower the County to care for the gravely disabled. As a result, the Department released a strategic plan with 13 recommendations aimed to improve the delivery of quality and humane treatment for those who are gravely disabled and incapable of seeking or accepting mental health treatment and care.

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Currently state law defines grave disability as a condition in which a person, as a result of a mental disorder, is unable to provide for his (or her) basic personal needs (i.e. food, clothing, or shelter). One recommendation that came to the Board as part of the DMH strategic plan was to explore legislation that would include a person's inability to provide urgently needed medical care for him or herself due to a mental disorder as part of grave disability. The need for this consideration derives from circumstances when an individual is in dire need of health and/or mental health care to the point their lives are in jeopardy, yet they refuse care due to lack of self-awareness to their own condition and need for treatment. These extreme circumstances should be explored and considered within state law to ensure that those in the gravest situations have access to life saving treatment.

**I, THEREFORE, MOVE** that the Board of Supervisors direct the Department of Mental Health to work with County Counsel, the Chief Executive Office, mental health advocacy groups, civil rights organizations, and other pertinent stakeholders to develop recommendations for legislative proposals that would consider an individual's inability to provide and/or access urgently needed medical care for him or herself due to a mental disorder as part of the criteria for grave disability and report back to the Board in 60 days.

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**Kathy Jones**

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**From:** patricia russell <movieswithheart@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 22, 2018 5:25 PM  
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**Subject:** Trieste Presentation & Inspiration









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**From:** Brittney Weissman <brittney@namilaccc.org>  
**Sent:** Friday, January 19, 2018 8:53 AM  
**To:** Kerry@hollywoodbid.org  
**Subject:** Psychiatric Advance Directives: Taking Charge of Your Care | Mental Health America

<http://www.mentalhealthamerica.net/psychiatric-advance-directives-taking-charge-your-care>







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**Subject:** Re: Recommendations to LAC Board of Supervisors  
**Attachments:** County Sponsored Legislation Grave Disability 013018.pdf; Board Report - Assessment of Grave Disability Item No. 9 Agenda of October 31 2017 (3).pdf

Good evening, team —

Long time, no talk! Hope you're well and happy new year to you! I'm writing to let you know that this issue — grave disability relative to ability to make medical decisions — is on the **BOS agenda for next Tuesday, Jan 30**. Supervisors Barger and Ridley Thomas are introducing a motion to initiate County sponsored legislation to amend grave disability as follows:

*"a condition in which a person; as a result of a mental health disorder, is unable to provide for his or her basic personal needs for food, clothing, shelter, **or medical treatment where the lack or failure of such treatment may result in substantial physical harm or death.**"*

See attached for detail on the motion in addition to a report from Dr. Sherin on the matter. DMH conducted a survey among mental health leaders within LA county and across the state to determine support for such a change. And there is such support.

I will attend on Tuesday to provide supportive testimony and encourage you to as well. There is no set time for this item on the BOS agenda (though meetings begin at 9:30 am). If I hear of one, I'll let you know.

Thanks,  
Brittney

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## Los Angeles County Council

On Nov 6, 2017, at 5:46 PM, Kerry Morrison <[kerry@hollywoodbid.org](mailto:kerry@hollywoodbid.org)> wrote:

Hi friends, I echo Stephany's comments – this is great work by the subcommittee that emanated from our April convening, where many of these important issues were raised. With new leadership on our Board of Supervisors, and in our county DMH, there is reason to hope that change is in the wind – to find a better way forward to care for those who are gravely disabled and left to languish on our streets or in our jails.

Great work – and thank you to Dr. Partovi for leading this subcommittee! Keep the flame lit!

Kerry

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**Subject:** Re: Recommendations to LAC Board of Supervisors

Hello All,

As we know, last month, the board approved 12 of 13 recommendations focused on how to improve the network of care delivered by DMH. They did not approve the recommendation that would seek state legislation to expand the criteria for those who are "gravely disabled." A week later, the Board voted 4 to 1 to ask staff to come up with legislative proposals "that would consider an individual's inability to provide and/or access urgently needed medical care for him or

herself due to a mental disorder as part of the criteria for grave disability." The recommendations are due by the end of the year.

Thank you Brittney Weissman, Anthony Ruffin, and Susan Partovi for your recent work in the community to address this ongoing issue. They recently took L.A. County Supervisor Kathryn Barger on a tour of Skid Row to show first-hand experiences of those who fall under this grey area of being gravely disabled, yet not eligible to receive much needed treatment. Here is article about it: <http://www.latimes.com/local/california/la-me-lopez-gravely-disabled-20171101-story.html>

Below are additional recent articles regarding this effort.

<https://www.scpr.org/news/2017/11/01/77269/why-la-county-wants-to-expand-involuntary-psych-ho/>

<http://www.dailynews.com/2017/11/06/la-county-leaders-fuel-new-drive-reaching-out-to-homeless-with-severe-mental-illnesses/>

<http://egpnews.com/2017/11/county-wants-authority-to-treat-severely-mentally-ill-without-their-permission/>

<https://mynews1a.com/government/2017/10/31/board-of-supervisors-works-on-expanded-ability-for-authorities-to-detain-severely-mentally-ill/>

Thank you for helping spread the message of our group. We look forward to seeing how the recommendations are received.

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Hello Group,

Sarah at Public Counsel, brought this article to our attention: <http://www.scp.org/news/2017/10/17/76751/la-officials-struggle-with-options-for-homeless-wi/>

As you will see, "Supervisors unanimously voted to pursue the suggestions, **except for one** — an expanded definition of 'gravely disabled' to include those with medical issues who don't pursue treatment "due to a mental disorder."

The good news is all of the other recommendations were agreed upon by the Supervisors to look into. For the time being, they decided to table the idea of an expanded definition.

Thank you, Sarah, for the update. We will continue to track the progress of the recommendations.

Have a great weekend.

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**Subject:** Recommendations to LAC Board of Supervisors

Hello Everyone,

I hope this message finds you all well.

Attached you will find the list of 13 recommendations the Los Angeles Department of Mental Health provided to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors. Our working group (subcommittee) was recognized and our suggestions were mentioned. For example, recommendation 5 calls for the definition of gravely disabled to be broadened. Many of the recommendations increase DMH's role on the issue of how we treat those in our community that are gravely disabled.

Thank you again for your participation in our subcommittee. We will continue to keep you posted with related updates.

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MOTION BY SUPERVISORS KATHRYN BARGER  
AND MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS

JANUARY 30, 2018

**County Sponsored Legislation – Grave Disability**

On October 31, 2017 the Board of Supervisors directed the Department of Mental Health (DMH) to work with County Counsel, the Chief Executive Office, mental health advocacy groups, civil rights organizations, and other pertinent stakeholders to develop recommendations for legislative proposals that would consider an individual's inability to provide and/or access urgently needed medical care for him or herself due to a mental disorder as part of the criteria for grave disability.

DMH and its partners engaged stakeholders to solicit feedback from various statewide and local organizations. The comprehensive feedback, which was overwhelmingly positive, expressed interest in modifying the current grave disability standard in state law to consider extraordinary circumstances where an individual's life is in jeopardy.

As a result, DMH has proposed language to amend existing state law as follows:

*"a condition in which a person, as a result of a mental health disorder, is unable to provide for his or her basic personal needs for food, clothing, shelter, or medical treatment where the lack or failure of such treatment results in substantial physical harm or death."*

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This proposed addition (in the underlined section above) is similar to the criteria used in 37 states nationwide. This sets precedent for the proposed addition, which has proven to be constitutionally precise. All protections would remain intact, and grave disability would still have to be proven beyond a reasonable doubt.

It is quite clear that the status quo mental health care system is inefficient and in need of thoughtful change. While this recommended amendment to state law will not address all of the problems local jurisdictions face, it is a critical component which will allow for the humane treatment of those who are suffering from a mental illness and at risk of substantial physical harm or death. Allowing the most vulnerable to languish on our streets without a lifeline is inhumane, and we cannot accept this as a viable option.

**I, THEREFORE, MOVE** that the Board of Supervisors direct the Chief Executive Officer to work with the Director of the Department of Mental Health to immediately sponsor legislation that would amend the definition of gravely disabled pursuant to the recommendation outlined in the January 10, 2018 report titled "Assessment of Grave Disability" and provide regular status updates to the Board every 30 days or as needed.

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JANUARY 30, 2018

**County Sponsored Legislation – Grave Disability**

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January 10, 2018

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Supervisor Janice Hahn  
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Director

SUBJECT: **ASSESSMENT OF GRAVE DISABILITY  
(ITEM NO. 9, AGENDA OF OCTOBER 31, 2017)**

**INTRODUCTION**

On October 31, 2017, your Board approved a motion by Supervisor Kathryn Barger and Supervisor Hilda Solis that instructed the Director of Mental Health to work with County Counsel, the Chief Executive Office, mental health advocacy groups, civil rights organizations and other pertinent stakeholders to develop recommendations for legislative proposals that would consider an individual's inability to provide and/or access urgently needed medical care for him or herself due to a mental disorder as part of the criteria for grave disability and report back to the Board in 60 days.

**BACKGROUND**

In 1968, the Lanterman-Petris-Short Act (LPS) was enacted to provide guidelines for handling the involuntary civil commitment of individuals who - due to mental illness - pose a danger to self or to others, or who are gravely disabled. LPS entails California Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) section 5000 et seq., and more specifically, WIC 5008(h)(1)(A) defines gravely disabled.

Under this statute, gravely disabled is defined as a condition in which a person, as a result of a mental health disorder, is unable to provide for his or her basic personal needs for food, clothing, or shelter.

In recent years, the Legislature has considered various amendments related to gravely disabled. Attachment I shows some of the efforts being considered in the current legislative session. Additionally, prior year efforts included: Senate Bill (SB) 364 (Chapter 567, Statutes of 2013), which provided consistent standards for the protection of the personal rights of those who are involuntarily detained, provided services in the least restricted setting appropriate to the

needs of the person, and required procedures and training of the professionals who would be treating the detained; SB 82 (Chapter 34, Statutes of 2013) in which funding was appropriated to implement grant programs to support the development, capital, and equipment acquisition to increase capacity; and Assembly Bill (AB) 1194 (Chapter 570, Statutes of 2015), which requires individuals who are authorized to determine if a person should be involuntary committed, to take into consideration not only the danger of imminent harm, but also available relevant information about the historical course of the person's mental disorder.

### **OUTREACH EFFORTS**

On November 29, 2017, a survey designed by the Department of Mental Health (DMH) to gauge interest in amending the current WIC section 5008(h)(1)(A),(2) to include physical health needs was disseminated. In this initial survey, 78 mental health leaders representing statewide organizations, as well as all California county behavioral health directors, were asked to respond to a series of questions. Each of the four yes or no questions posed by the survey included an option to provide comments. Information regarding the respondents' relationship to the state's mental health system was also collected. A total of 47 completed responses were received, resulting in a response rate of 60%.

On December 19, 2017, this same survey (with a slight change in wording to one question for greater clarity) was sent out to 121 stakeholders across Los Angeles County, including Service Area Advisory Council (SAAC) members, System Leadership Team (SLT) members, Los Angeles County National Alliance on Mental Illness (LAC NAMI), Mental Health America affiliates and others who had expressed interest in engaging with DMH on this and related issues. For this survey, the response rate was 27% (33 completed surveys).

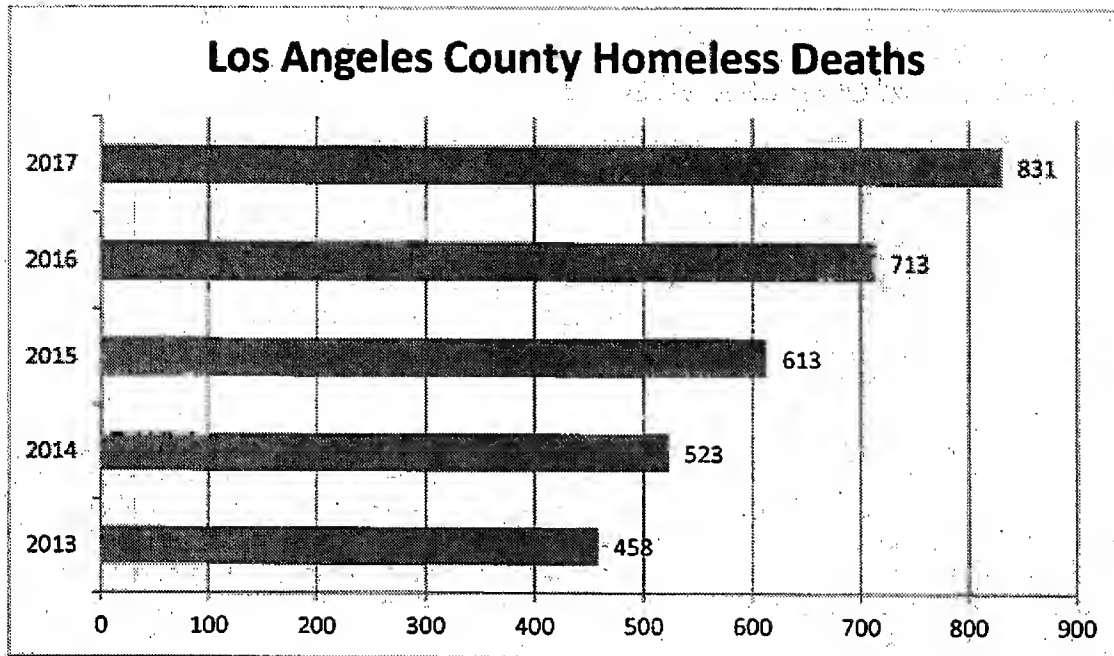
Overall for each cohort, responses were positive regarding the amendment of the definition of grave disability (83% for the first cohort and 88% for the second cohort). Beyond the definition, survey questions focused on the severity of physical health as well as the approach to making a formal assessment.

The data of each of the two survey cohorts is in Attachments II and III.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

These initial survey results argue in favor of the need to ensure proper medical care for the homeless with mental illness who are suffering on the streets with serious physical ailments. Survey respondents recognize that this vulnerable population's lack of insight to their mental illness results in the failure to seek voluntary medical treatment for urgent medical conditions.

On a related note, the Los Angeles County Medical Examiner-Coroner's (MEC) data on the number of deaths among the homeless population in Los Angeles County reflects a consistent increase for the past five years as illustrated in the graph below:



While this data does not indicate whether or not the deceased individual suffered from a mental illness that impaired the ability to seek treatment, MEC data indicates that a significant number of these deaths were due to preventable and/or treatable medical conditions such as: arteriosclerotic cardiovascular disease, pneumonia, diabetes, cancer, cirrhosis, severe bacterial infections, and other treatable conditions.

At the same time that we are seeing increased death rates among the homeless population, we have seen an increase of homeless individuals suffering from a mental illness. According to data provided by the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), there has been a 28% increase in homeless individuals suffering from a mental illness from 2015 to 2017.

While no definitive conclusion can be drawn from these data sets, it is important to realize that individuals with co-occurring mental illness and homelessness, arguably the County's most vulnerable populations, may account disproportionately for the increased death rates.

In order to meet our ethical obligations to this population and our communities, it is our stance that the County should pursue legislation that would adjust the definition of gravely disabled to include individuals with serious physical health needs that – like food, clothing, and shelter – are fundamental to wellbeing. Many states that use a grave disability standard to involuntarily commit and administer mental health treatment include, in some form, physical health and/or medical treatment as part of the criteria in assessing an individual's condition to provide for his/her basic personal needs for survival due to a mental disorder. We recommend amending the LPS statute to be consistent with other states, by adding the underlined portion below:

*"a condition in which a person, as a result of a mental health disorder, is unable to provide for his or her basic personal needs for food, clothing, shelter, or medical treatment where the lack or failure of such treatment may result in substantial physical harm or death."*

As an example from one of the states that uses a grave disability standard, Washington has enacted a definition of gravely disabled similar to the recommendation suggested above. Washington's definition addresses the failure or inability to provide for essential human needs and safety which results in substantial risk of serious physical harm. Such needs include food, clothing, shelter, and medical treatment. We believe amending the current definition of gravely disabled to include the above language will promote humane care for people with mental illness who are unable or unwilling to obtain medical treatment even though such failure results in serious physical harm or death.

As with Washington's definition, we believe that the recommended addition to California's gravely disabled definition will withstand challenge. The addition will remain constitutionally precise as it will continue to require a causal link between the specifically defined diagnosed mental disorder and an inability to care for one's basic personal needs. It will also require a finding of physical harm so that the criteria cannot be misapplied. Finally, all legal protections provided under LPS would remain intact, and grave disability would still have to be proven beyond a reasonable doubt.

## **CONCLUSION**

There is currently no Board-approved policy to support or sponsor legislation to amend the definition of gravely disabled; therefore, approval of the above recommendation is a matter of Board policy determination.

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## **Attachments**

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Chief Executive Office  
County Counsel



**LEGISLATION RELATED TO GRAVELY DISABLED  
2017**

**COUNTY ADVOCACY**

**County-sponsored AB 820 (Gipson)**, as amended on March 23, 2017, would establish a task force to develop a report evaluating alternative destinations to a general acute care hospital for first responders to transport a patient who may be a danger to himself or others or gravely disabled as result of a mental health disorder.

*Support and Oppose:* This bill was not heard in committee, and therefore, no committee analysis was issued. However, several key organizations expressed opposition or concerns with the bill: California Ambulance Association; California Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians; California Nurses Association; California Professional Firefighters; California Medical Association; and California Ambulance Association.

*Status:* Not heard in the Assembly Health Committee.

**County-opposed AB 451 (Arambula)**, which as amended on July 5, 2017, would specify that a psychiatric unit within a general acute care hospital, a psychiatric health facility, or an acute psychiatric hospital is required to provide emergency services to care to treat a person with a psychiatric emergency medical condition who has been accepted by the facility if the facility has appropriate facilities and qualified personnel.

*Support:* California Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians (sponsor); American Academy of Pediatrics; California Medical Association; National Alliance on Mental Illness California, and Steinberg Institute. *Oppose:* California Association of Social Rehabilitation Agencies; California Hospital Association; County Behavioral Health Directors Association; SEIU California; and Tenet Healthcare.

*Status:* Held in the Senate Appropriations Committee.

**ENACTED STATUTES**

**AB 191 (Wood, Chapter 184, Statutes of 2017)**, amends an existing law which provides that when a person, as a result of a mental health disorder, is a danger to others, or to himself or herself, or gravely disabled, he or she may be taken into custody and placed in a facility for evaluation and treatment. Includes a licensed marriage and family therapist and a licensed professional clinical counselor in the list of professionals who are authorized to sign a specified notice under specified circumstances. This statute is effective January 1, 2018.

*Support:* California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists (source); California Hospital Association; among others. *Oppose:* California Psychological Association

**SB 565 (Portantino), Chapter 218, Statutes of 2017**), requires a mental health facility to make reasonable attempts to notify family members or any other person designated by a patient at least a certain number of hours prior to a certification review hearing for an additional 30 days of treatment. This statute is effective January 1, 2018.

*Support:* California Council of Community Behavioral Health Agencies; Disability Rights California; and National Alliance on Mental Illness California. *Oppose:* None.

**SB 684 (Bates, Chapter 246, Statutes of 2017)**, allows the initiation of conservatorship proceedings for a defendant on the basis of a grave mental health disorder. Allows, if the action is on a complaint charging a felony involving death, great bodily harm, or a serious threat to the physical well-being of another person, the prosecuting attorney to request a determination of probable cause to believe the defendant committed the offenses, solely for the purpose of establishing that the defendant is gravely disabled. This statute is effective January 1, 2018.

*Support:* San Diego County District Attorney (source); National Alliance on Mental Illness California; and others. *Oppose:* None.

#### PENDING LEGISLATION

**AB 1136 (Eggman)**, as amended on May 26, 2017, would require the State to develop and submit a proposal to solicit a grant under the federal 21st Century Cures Act to develop a real-time, Internet-based database to collect, aggregate, and display information about beds in inpatient psychiatric facilities, crisis stabilization units, residential community mental health facilities, and licensed residential substance use disorder treatment facilities.

*Support:* California Psychiatric Association (co-sponsor); Steinberg Institute (co-sponsor); California Access Coalition; California State Sheriffs' Association; National Association of Social Workers – California Chapter; and others. *Oppose:* California Hospital Association

*Status:* Pending confirmation from author's office whether or not this is a two year bill.

**AB 1372 (Levine)**, as amended on June 13, 2017, would authorize a crisis stabilization unit designated by a mental health managed care plan to provide crisis stabilization services beyond a certain service time in cases in which a patient needs inpatient psychiatric care or outpatient care and other services are not reasonably available. Requires a person who is placed under an involuntary hold to be credited for time detained at a crisis stabilization unit.

*Support:* County Behavioral Health Directors Association of California (sponsor); California State Association of Counties; Urban Counties of California; National Alliance on Mental Illness – California, and several counties. *Oppose:* None.

*Status:* Senate Inactive File.

**AB 1539 (Chen)**, as amended on April 4, 2017, would expand the definition of gravely disabled to include the inability to provide for his or her medical care.

*Support and Oppose:* This bill was referred to the Assembly Health Committee, but was not heard; and therefore, no committee analysis was issued. However, our Sacramento advocates have learned that the Chair of the Assembly Health Committee and the California Behavioral Health Directors Association were strongly opposed to any changes to the definition of gravely disabled.

*Status:* In its current version, this bill will not be moving forward in 2018, and the author has noted that they will consider other approaches.

